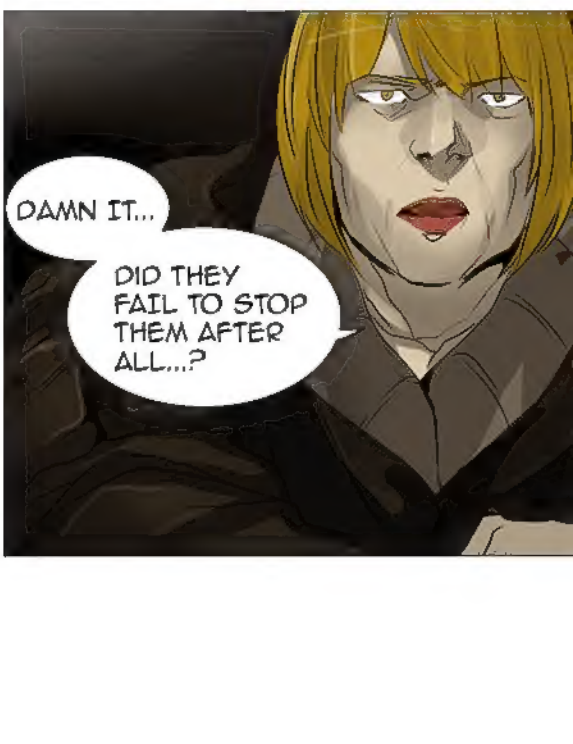
RUMBLE

SHOOOM

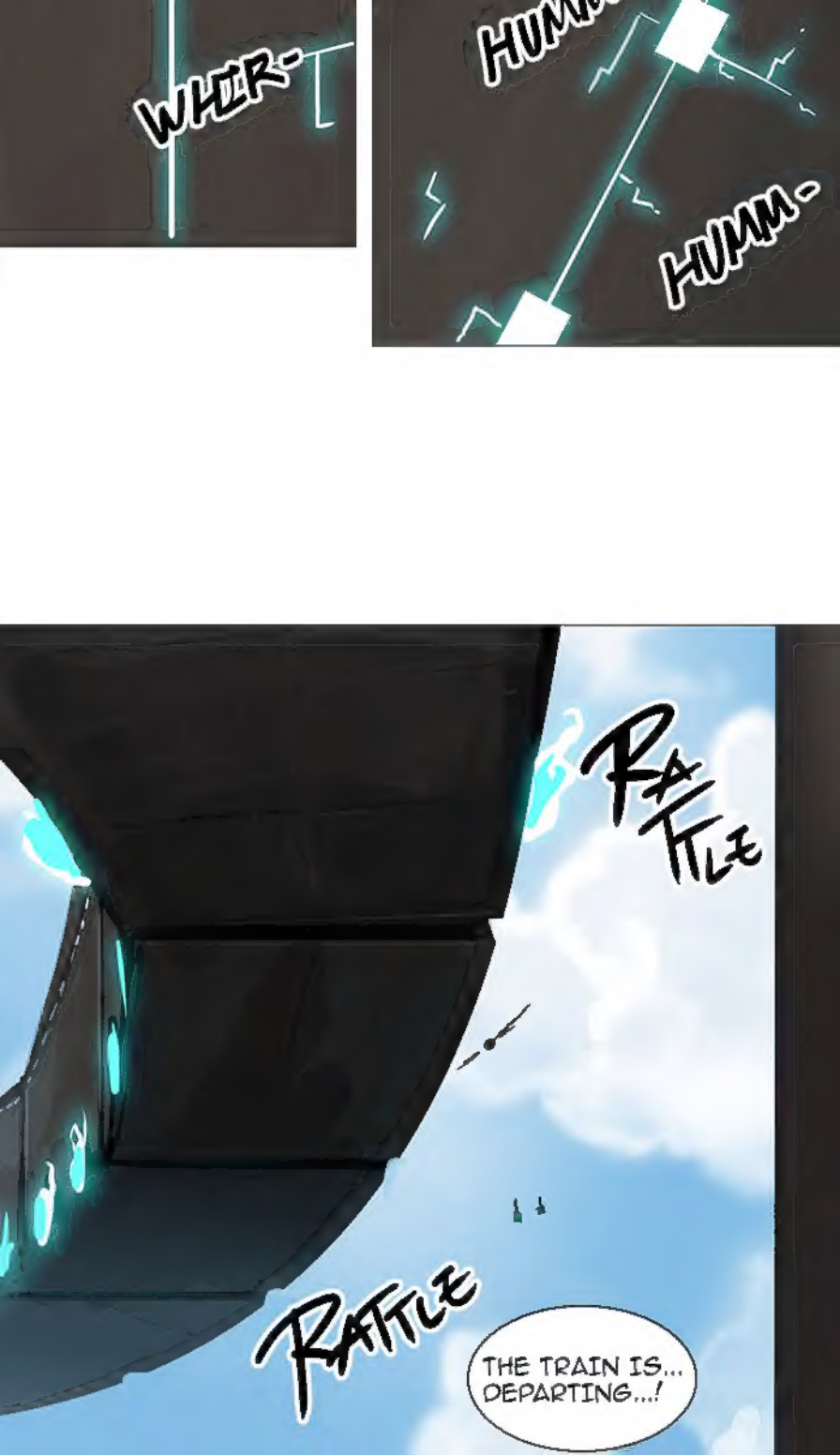
THE STAIRS...!

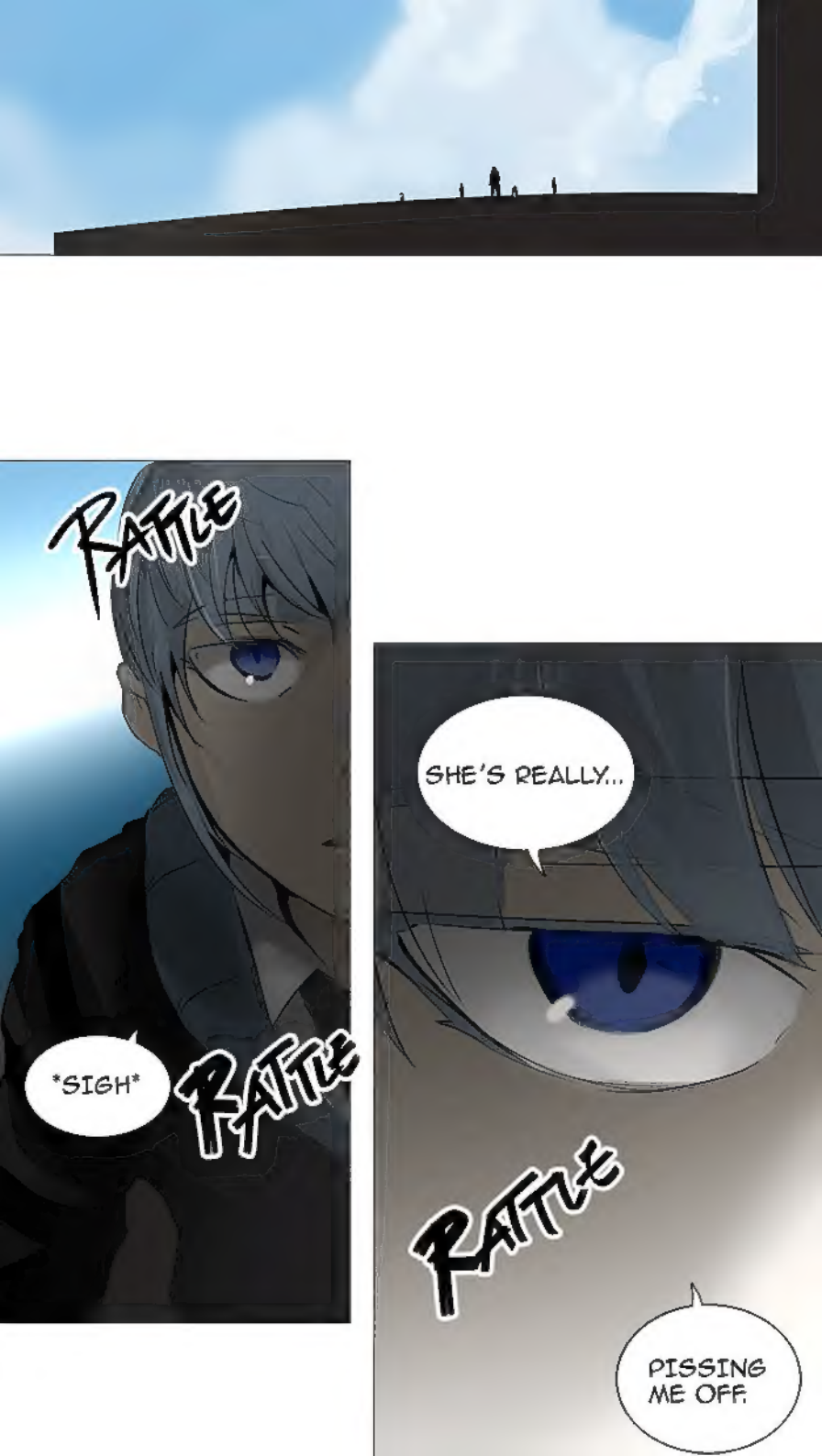

DAMN IT...
DID THEY FAIL TO STOP THEM AFTER ALL...?

FLARE-
FLARE-
RUMBLE

BEEP-
DEPARTURE

HUMM-


WHIR-
HUMM-
HUMM-
RATTLE
RATTLE
THE TRAIN IS... DEPARTING...!


RATTLE
SIGH
RATTLE
SHE'S REALLY...
RATTLE
PISSING ME OFF.

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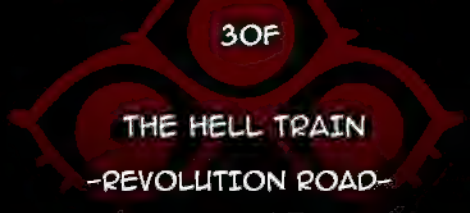
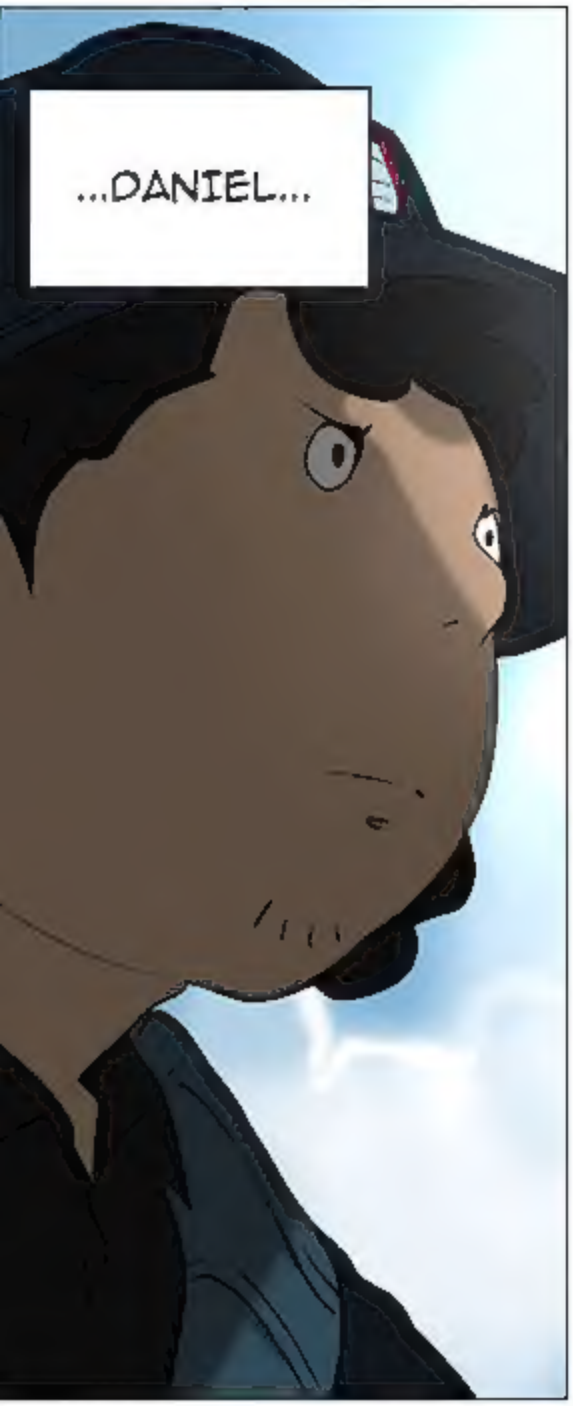
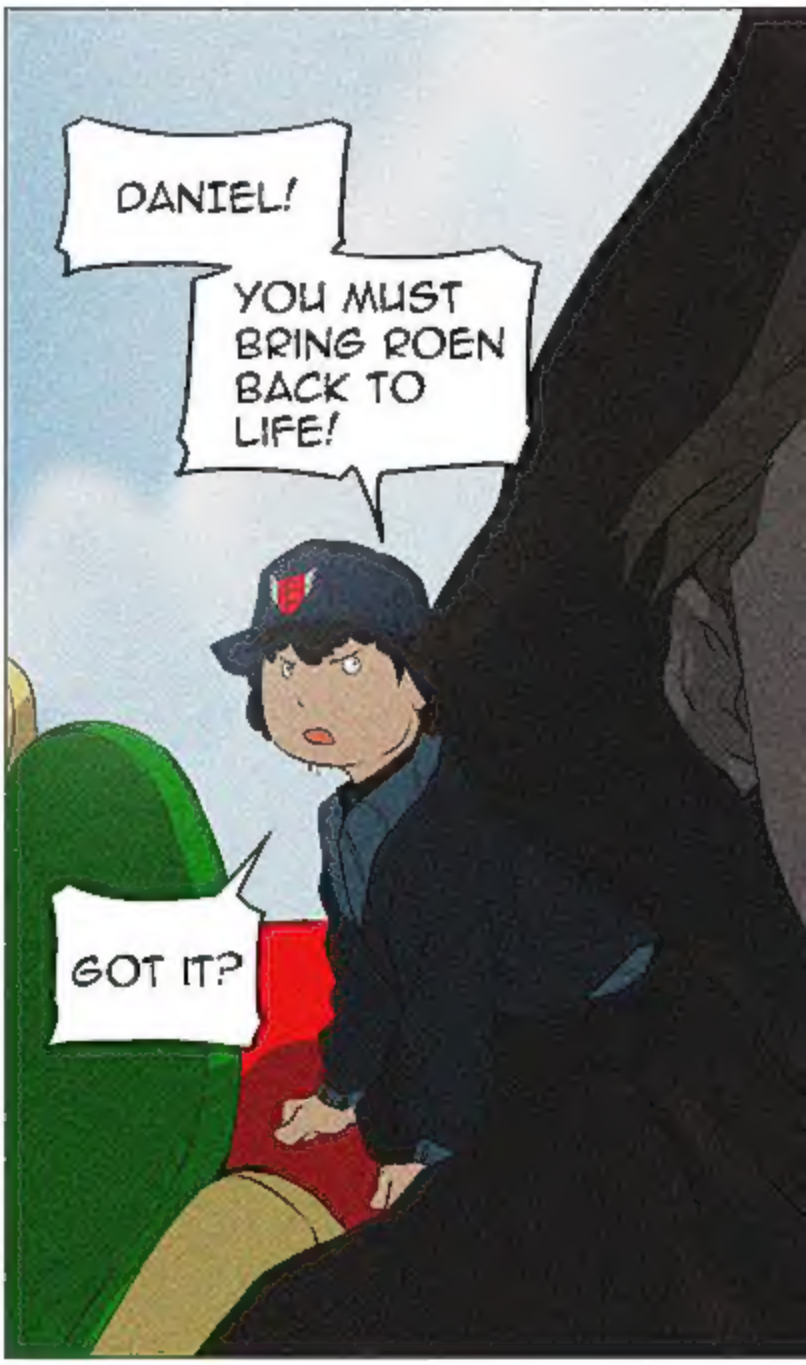

3OF
THE HELL TRAIN
-REVOLUTION ROAD-

FLUTTER


...DANIEL...


DANIEL!
YOU MUST BRING ROEN BACK TO LIFE!
GOT IT?

IF SHE COMES BACK... WE'LL BE ABLE TO START AGAIN...
WITH HER... WE'LL GO UP THE TOWER ONCE AGAIN.

...I WILL.
STUMP-
YOU HAVE MY WORD, POE.
RATTLE
STUMP-

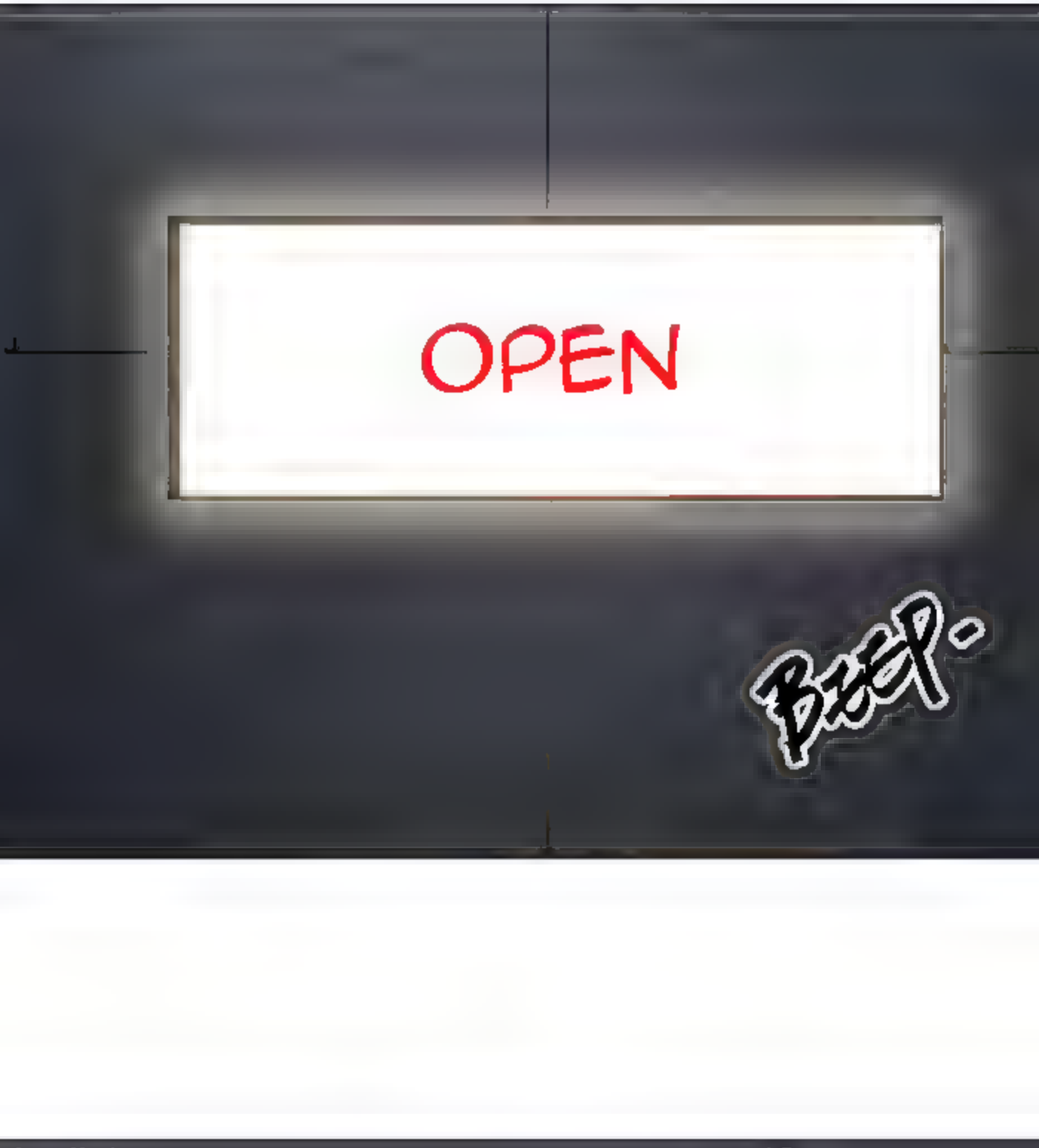
RATTLE
YES, SIR... THEY ALL JUST WENT ONTO THE TRAIN.
RATTLE
...GOOD WORK, POE.
GET BACK TO WORK.
RATTLE
OF COURSE YURA HA IS WITH THEM.
IT SEEMS THAT THE TRAIN IS DEPARTING WITHOUT ANY TROUBLE.
YES, SIR.

I AM COUNTING ON YOU.
DANIEL.

PLEASE... BRING HER BACK TO US!
RATTLE

RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE

RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE


OPEN
BEEP-

Shoom

stump-
stump-

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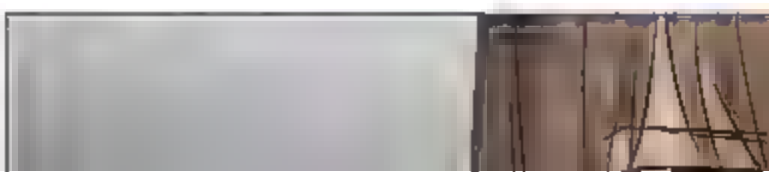
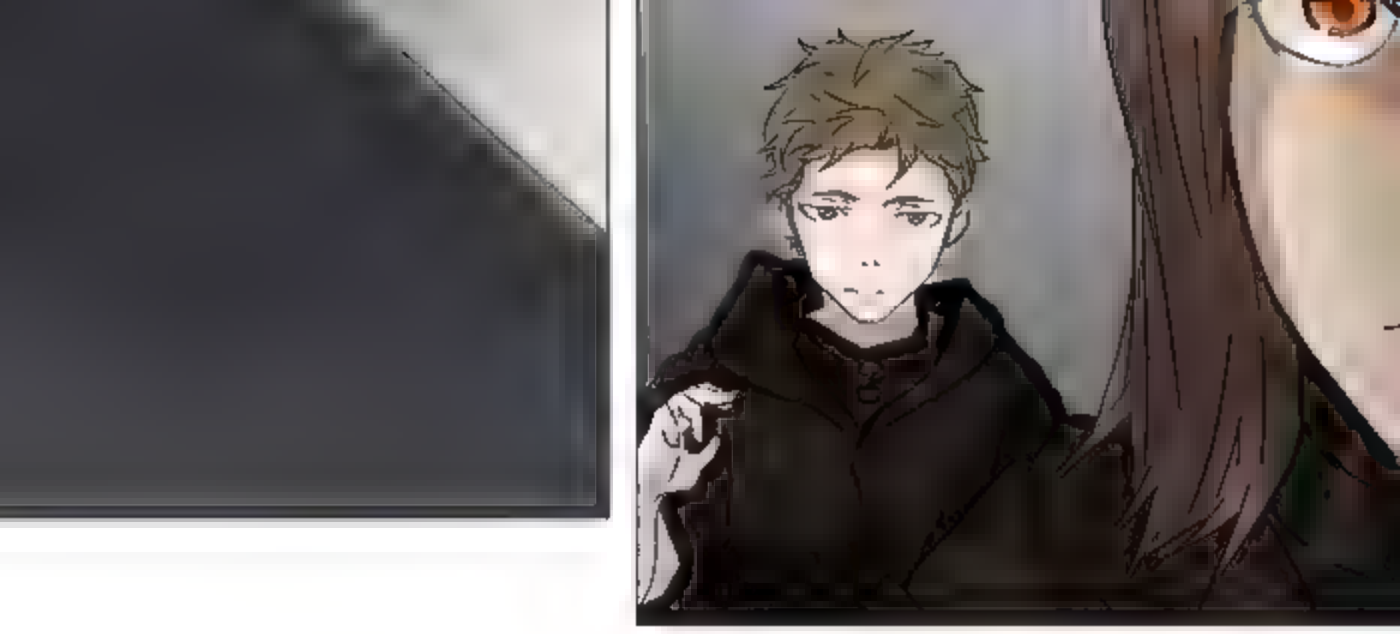




WE ARE HERE...
RUMBLE

WE'RE INSIDE THE HELL TRAIN...!

HEY...

IS THAT...

THE SPARKLING ROAD...?

OH, IT'S THE ROAD OF REVOLUTION.

THE ROAD OF... REVOLUTION?

IT'S A ROAD OF LIGHT THAT EXISTS AT EVERY ENTRANCE OF THE TRAIN.

IT'S KNOWN TO BE THE ROAD WHICH THE TEN ANCIENT FAMILY LEADERS HAD ALSO WALKED THROUGH ...

IT HAS A VERY LONG HISTORY.

THEY SAID... THAT EVERYTHING CHANGED FOR THEM AFTER WALKING ON THAT ROAD.

THAT'S RIGHT.

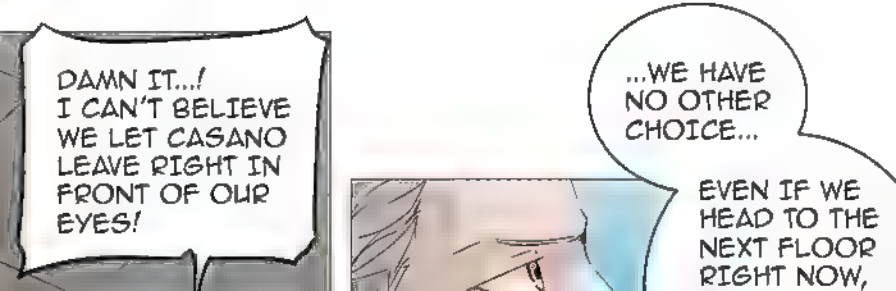
THAT ROAD IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DIVISION AND UNITY OF THE TEN FAMILIES...

THE ROAD THAT LEADS YOU INTO THE TRAIN THAT CHANGED THE HISTORY OF THE TOWER...

"REVOLUTION ROAD".

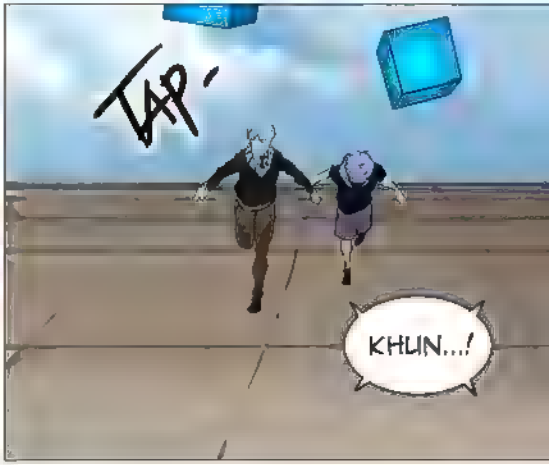
IT'S GONE...

...IS IT HEADING TO THE UPPER FLOOR...?
YES.
JUST BY GETTING ON THE TRAIN, THEY EARNED THE QUALIFICATION TO MOVE UP TO THE NEXT FLOOR.
FROM NOW ON, THEY WILL BE TAKING TESTS ON THE TRAIN.


DAMN IT...! I CAN'T BELIEVE WE LET CASANO LEAVE RIGHT IN FRONT OF OUR EYES!
...WE HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE...
EVEN IF WE HEAD TO THE NEXT FLOOR RIGHT NOW,

WE CAN'T WAKE UP LORD DEVIL WITHOUT HIM!
...PRINCE.

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO CATCH UP TO THEM.

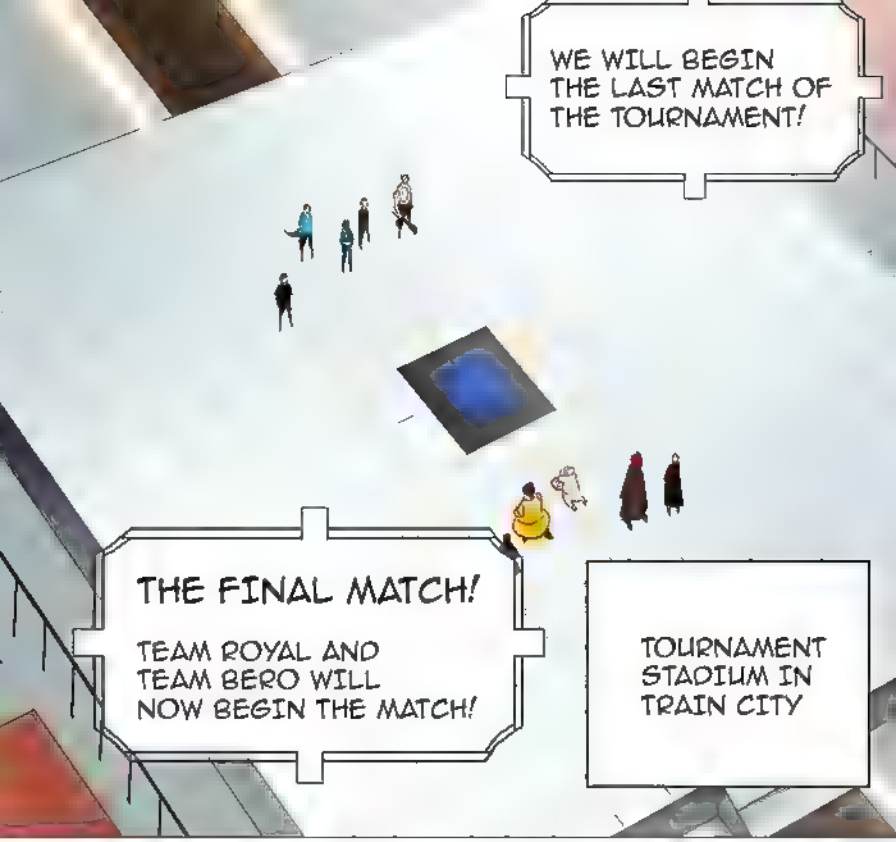

TAP
KHUN...!

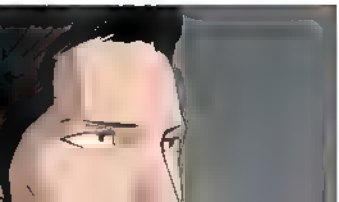
WHAT ABOUT BAM...?!

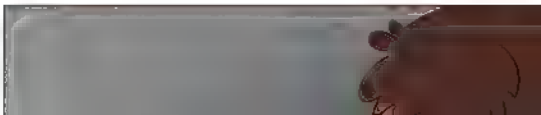
I GOT HIM.
TAP
SHEESH,
YOU PROMISED ME
THAT YOU'D TAKE ME
ON THE TRAIN, BUT
ALL YOU DO IS
MAKE ME DO ALL
THE CHORES...

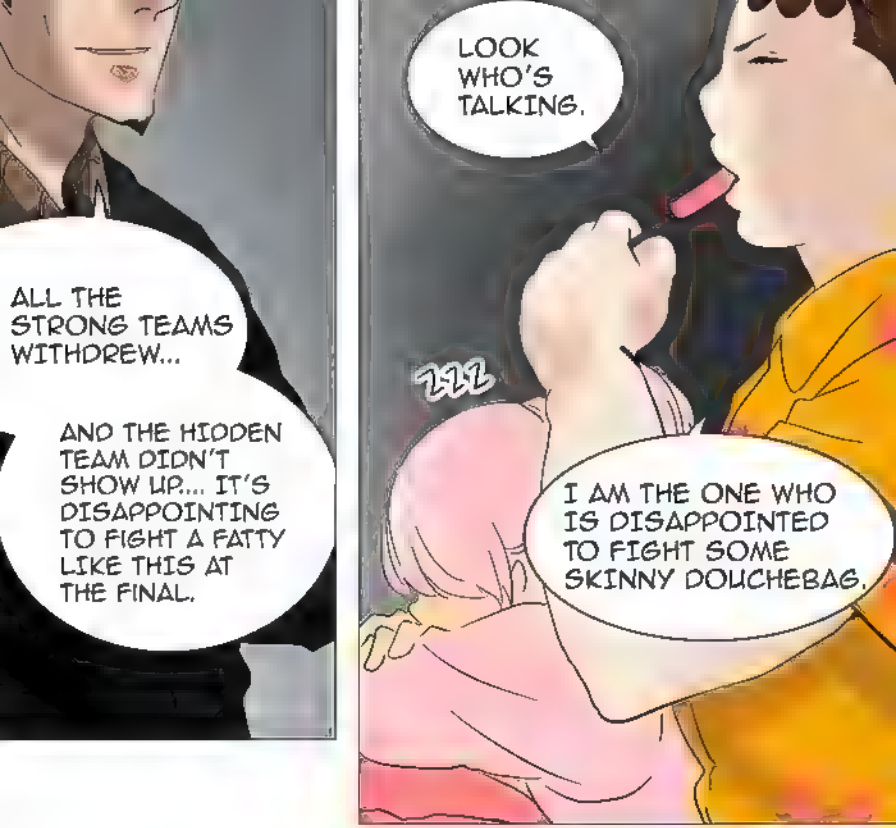
BAM...!
HE WON'T BE
ABLE TO WAKE UP
FOR A WHILE.

MEANWHILE,

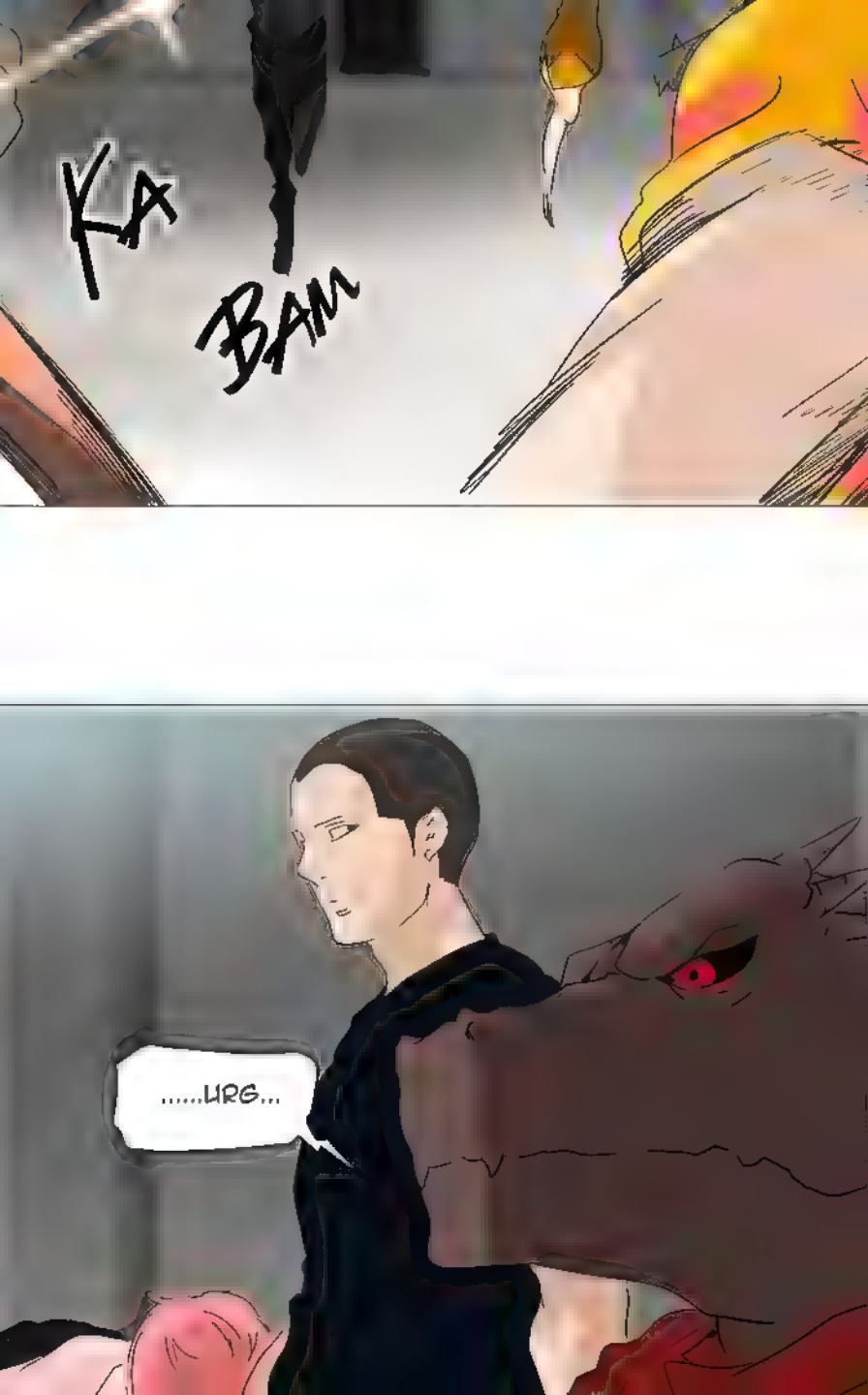

WE WILL BEGIN THE LAST MATCH OF THE TOURNAMENT!
THE FINAL MATCH!
TEAM ROYAL AND TEAM BERO WILL NOW BEGIN THE MATCH!
TOURNAMENT STADIUM IN TRAIN CITY






ALL THE STRONG TEAMS WITHDREW...
AND THE HIDDEN TEAM DIDN'T SHOW UP.... IT'S DISAPPOINTING TO FIGHT A FATTY LIKE THIS AT THE FINAL.
LOOK WHO'S TALKING.
ZZZ
I AM THE ONE WHO IS DISAPPOINTED TO FIGHT SOME SKINNY DOUCHEBAG.

THEN, LET THE MATCH BEGIN-!


KA
BAM
.....URG...

THAT DAMN BLUE TURTLE...!
WHY IS HE NOT SHOWING UP AFTER TELLING ME TO JUST SIT HERE AND WAIT!!

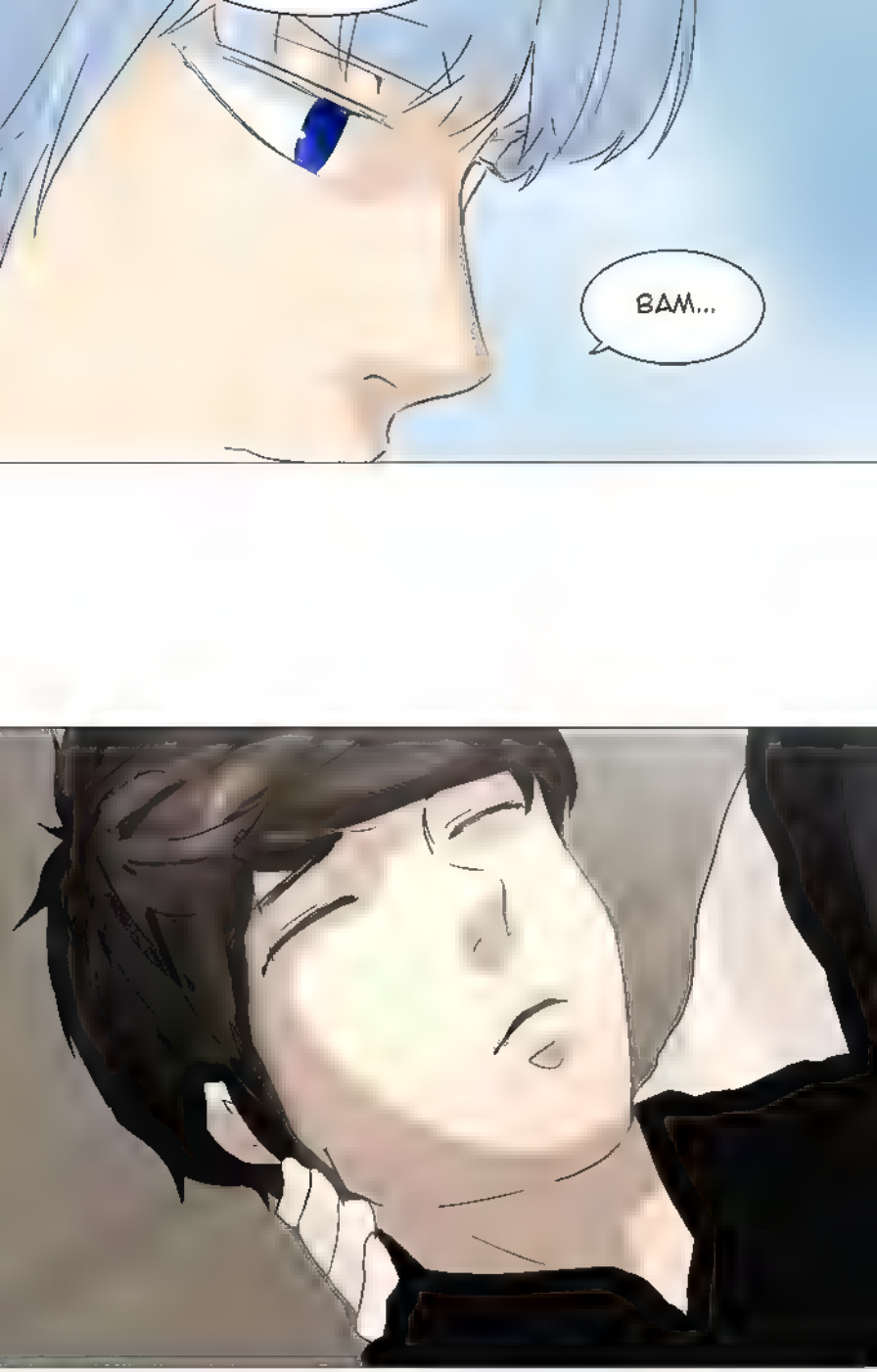
...WHY DON'T YOU PARTICIPATE IN THE TOURNAMENT IF YOU'RE THAT BORED?
MR. CROCODILE.
...WHAT?

WHY ARE YOU FOLLOWING ME AROUND AND BOTHERING ME?
AREN'T YOU GOING HOME?
HEY, YOUR WORDS ARE HURTFUL. WE BROUGHT YOUR TEAM UP HERE WHILE YOU GUYS WERE AWAY.
YOU DON'T THINK THEY'D HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COME UP HERE THIS FAST IF IT WEREN'T FOR US, DO YOU?
...HMPH.

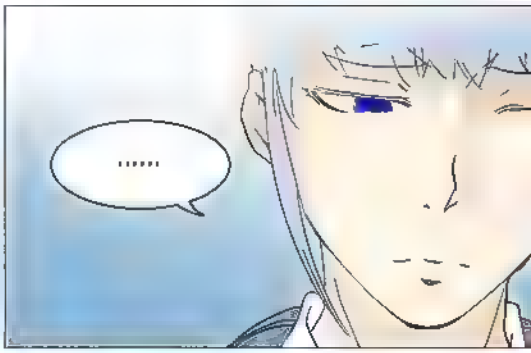
I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU ARE THINKING...

I'D LIKE TO FIGHT YOU, BUT I'LL LET YOU GO FOR NOW. IT'S A SHAME.
I'VE GOT SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT THAN A TURTLE LIKE YOU.

TEAM ROYAL'S ATTACK HAS GAINED A POINT..! THE SCORE IS 1:0!
I GUESS THE CROCODILE OF THE WILD HAS SOME SELF-CONTROL NOW.
WELL... ANYWAYS, I'M ALSO HOPING WHAT GOES ON UP THERE, WORKS OUT WELL.
ONLY THEN, I'LL WANT TO CONTINUE FOLLOWING YOU GUYS...


BAM...

WHAT SHOULD WE DO NOW, KHUN?
WHERE'S SWEET AND SOUR, BY THE WAY!?
I THINK IT'S TOO LATE TO CHASE AFTER THEM...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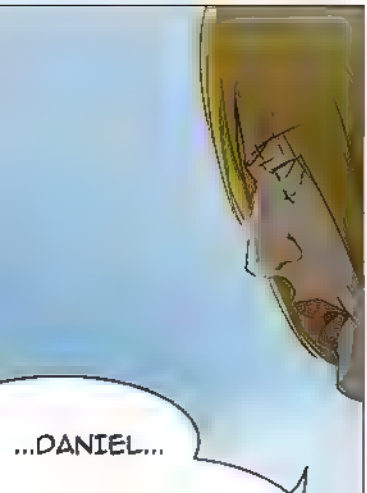
STUMP
I GUESS YOUR PLAN FAILED THIS TIME,
NEWBIES.
STUMP
.....?

STUMP
...YOU ARE...?

STUMP
I'M AKA WILLIAMS.
I'M LIKE A REGULAR CUSTOMER OF THE HELL TRAIN WHO BOARDS EVERY TIME.
ARE YOU WITH THOSE GUYS?
YES, AS YOU CAN SEE.


...DANIEL...

I GUESS FUG IS PLANNING SOMETHING BIG ON THE HELL TRAIN.

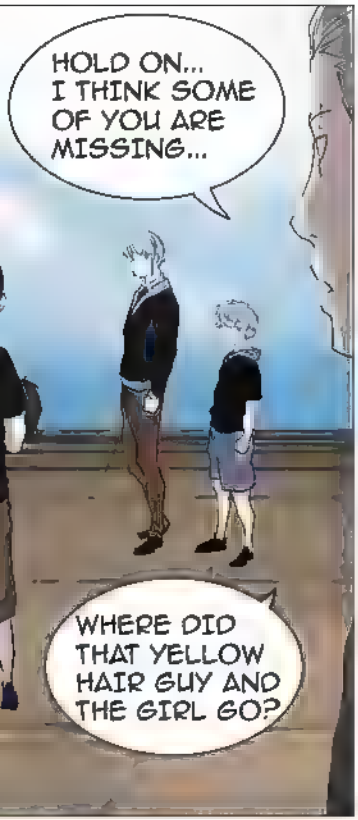
I NEVER EXPECTED HIM TO BE ALIVE.
...THAT'S RIGHT.
ARE YOU WITH THAT PERSON?
NO, I CAME HERE WITH BAM.
I'M GUESSING THAT GIRL EARLIER WAS THE RACHEL THAT BAM MENTIONED..

SHE WAS SOME GIRL.
WHAT'S THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN YOU GUYS AND THAT GUY NAMED DANIEL?
...HE USED TO BE OUR FRIEND... NO, I'D BETTER SAY A COMRADE.
HE WAS OUR COMRADE WHO WENT ON THE HELL TRAIN WITH US ONCE.
AFTER LOSING CONTACT WITH DANIEL...
YOU MEAN, A DEAD GUY...

I HEARD THAT HE DIED ON THE HELL TRAIN A COUPLE OF HUNDRED YEARS AGO.
CAME BACK TO LIFE AFTER ALL THOSE YEARS AND IS COOPERATING WITH FUG?
RIGHT.
...IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE... ANYWAY, WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FROM NOW ON?
I DON'T KNOW. OUR PLAN WAS TO STOP THEM, BUT IT DIDN'T WORK OUT, SO...

I GUESS WE'VE GOT TO GET ON THE HELL TRAIN BY CATCHING UP WITH THE TRAIN BY ANY MEANS.
CATCHING UP...? THEY'RE ALREADY ON THEIR WAY TO THE NEXT FLOOR.
...THERE IS A WAY.
THE TRAIN IS DESIGNED TO STOP AT STATIONS ON EVERY FLOORS...

IS THAT POSSIBLE?
THE PROBLEM IS TAKING THE TEST TO GO UP THE TOWER. WE'VE GOT TO PASS THE TEST AND CATCH UP BEFORE THE TRAIN DEPARTS AGAIN...
...LET'S THINK OF A WAY TO CATCH UP LATER.
WRAPPING UP THIS SITUATION COMES FIRST.
LET'S GO BACK TO THE STADIUM.


HOLD ON... I THINK SOME OF YOU ARE MISSING...
WHERE DID THAT YELLOW HAIR GUY AND THE GIRL GO?

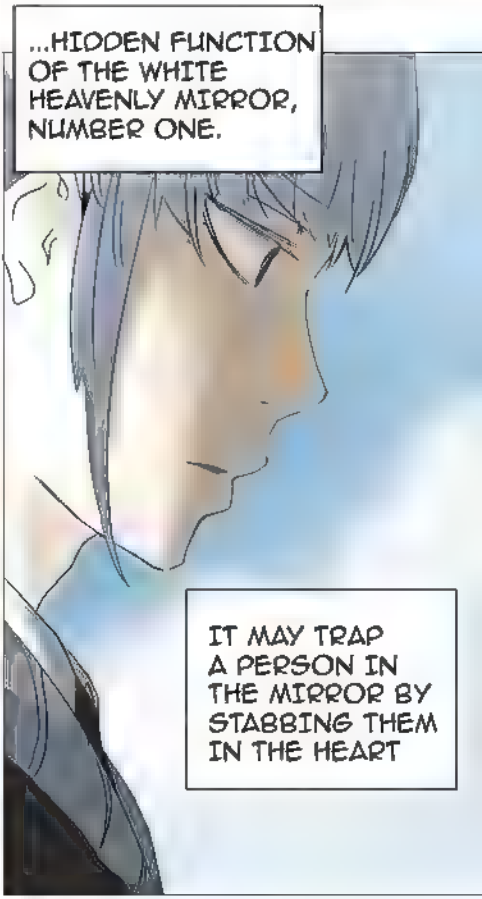
...THOSE TWO ARE ON THE TRAIN.
I THREW THEM IN EARLIER.
WHAT?!

...EARLIER... IS THAT WHEN YOU GUYS ATTACKED...?
YES.
SO... THAT LAST ATTACK HAD SOME KIND OF PLAN BEHIND IT, HUH?

...I NEVER DO FRANTIC LAST-DITCH EFFORTS THAT ARE MEANINGLESS...

'CAUSE IT'S NOT PRACTICAL AT ALL.

LET'S GO BACK FOR NOW.
OKAY.


...HIDDEN FUNCTION OF THE WHITE HEAVENLY MIRROR, NUMBER ONE.
IT MAY TRAP A PERSON IN THE MIRROR BY STABBING THEM IN THE HEART

DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN.
STUMP-
STUMP-
AND WHEN THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE WHITE HEAVENLY MIRROR AND I REACHES A CERTAIN POINT,
THIS IS THE REAL BEGINNING.
THE SEAL BREAKS AND THE PEOPLE IN THE MIRROR ARE RELEASED.

AND THAT WILL BE
THE UNEXPECTED DAGGER
I PREPARED FOR YOU,
RACHEL.

STUMP-
STUMP-
STUMP-

BOY-
BOY-
BOY-
WHO IS IT...?
I HEAR...

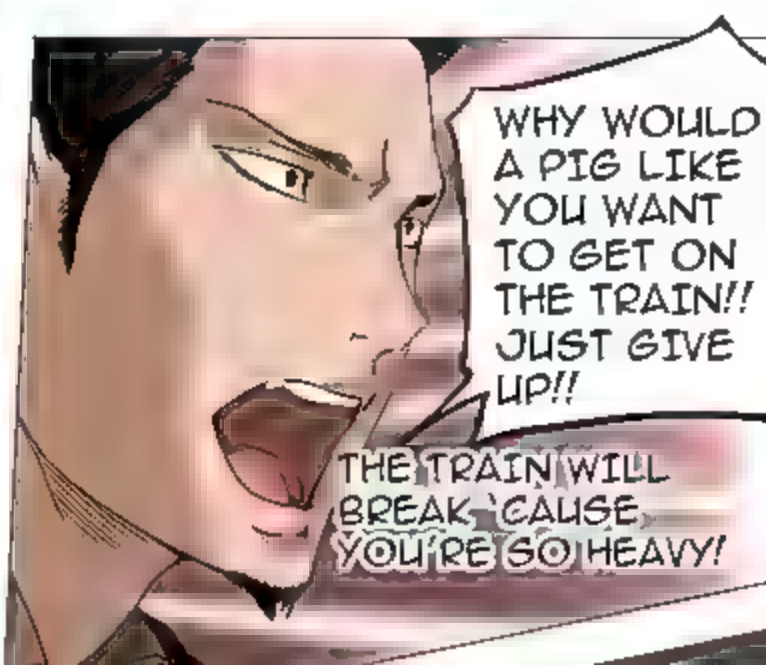
SOMEONE CALLING ME...
THE POWER...
...THE POWER TO GO UP HIGHER-

LINE Webtoon

BANG
RUMBLE
THUMP

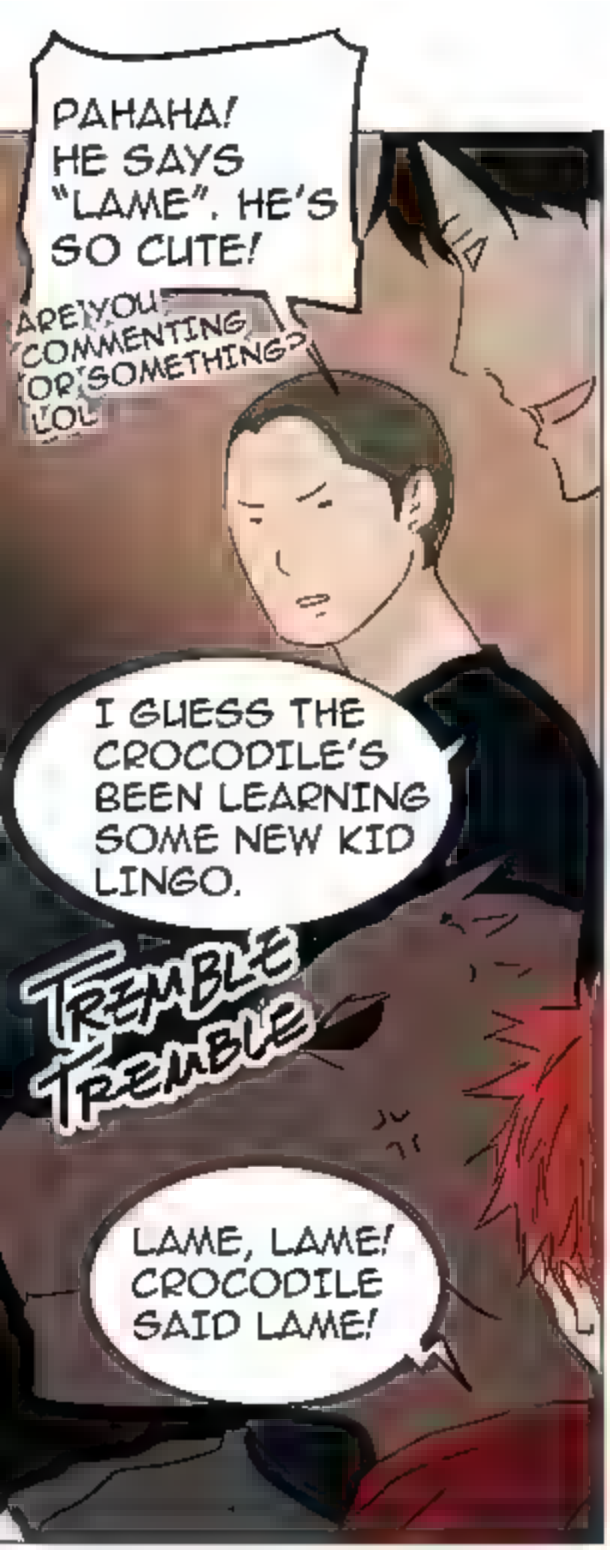
BANG
ZZZ-
CLANK
ZZZ-
BOOM
THUMP

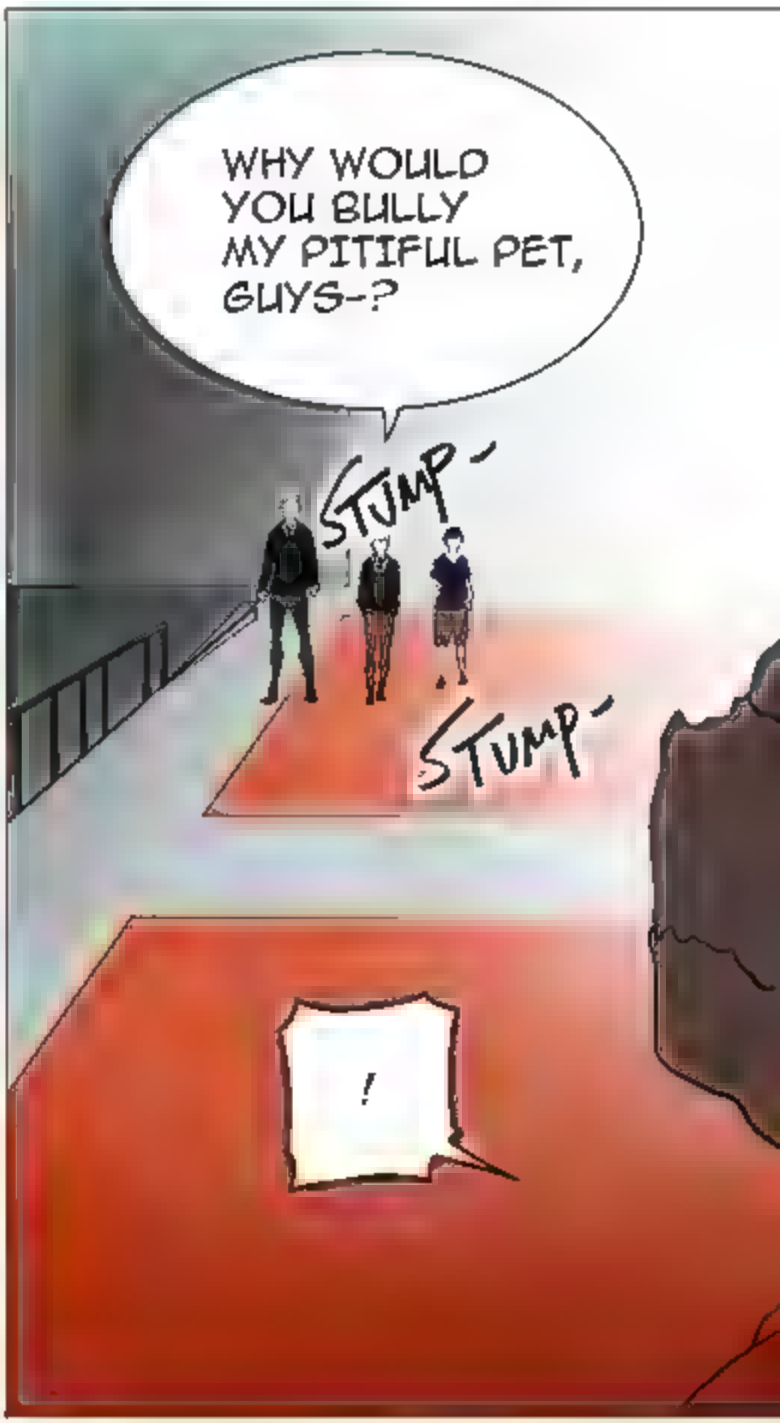
ZZZ-
BANG
ZZZ-


WHY WOULD A PIG LIKE YOU WANT TO GET ON THE TRAIN!! JUST GIVE UP!!
THE TRAIN WILL BREAK 'CAUSE YOU'RE SO HEAVY!

Boom
WHAT?
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'D DIE IN A SECOND!!
KA
ZZZ-
ZZZ-

BOOM
SO LAME...
SO DAMN LAME.
GODDAMNIT...


PAHAHA! HE SAYS "LAME". HE'S SO CUTE!
ARE YOU COMMENTING OR SOMETHING? LOL
I GUESS THE CROCODILE'S BEEN LEARNING SOME NEW KID LINGO.
TREMBLE TREMBLE
LAME, LAME! CROCODILE SAID LAME!


WHY WOULD YOU BULLY MY PITIFUL PET, GUYS-?
STUMP-
STUMP-
!

WHITE TURTLE!
.....YEA.
YOU'RE BACK!

SO, WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT ABOUT THE TRAIN...?

WHERE'S THAT YELLOW TURTLE?
...WE MISSED IT...
...YOU MISSED IT?!
WHAT?! WHAT ABOUT BLACK TURTLE?!

...WELL...

BAM IS...
UNCONSCIOUS.

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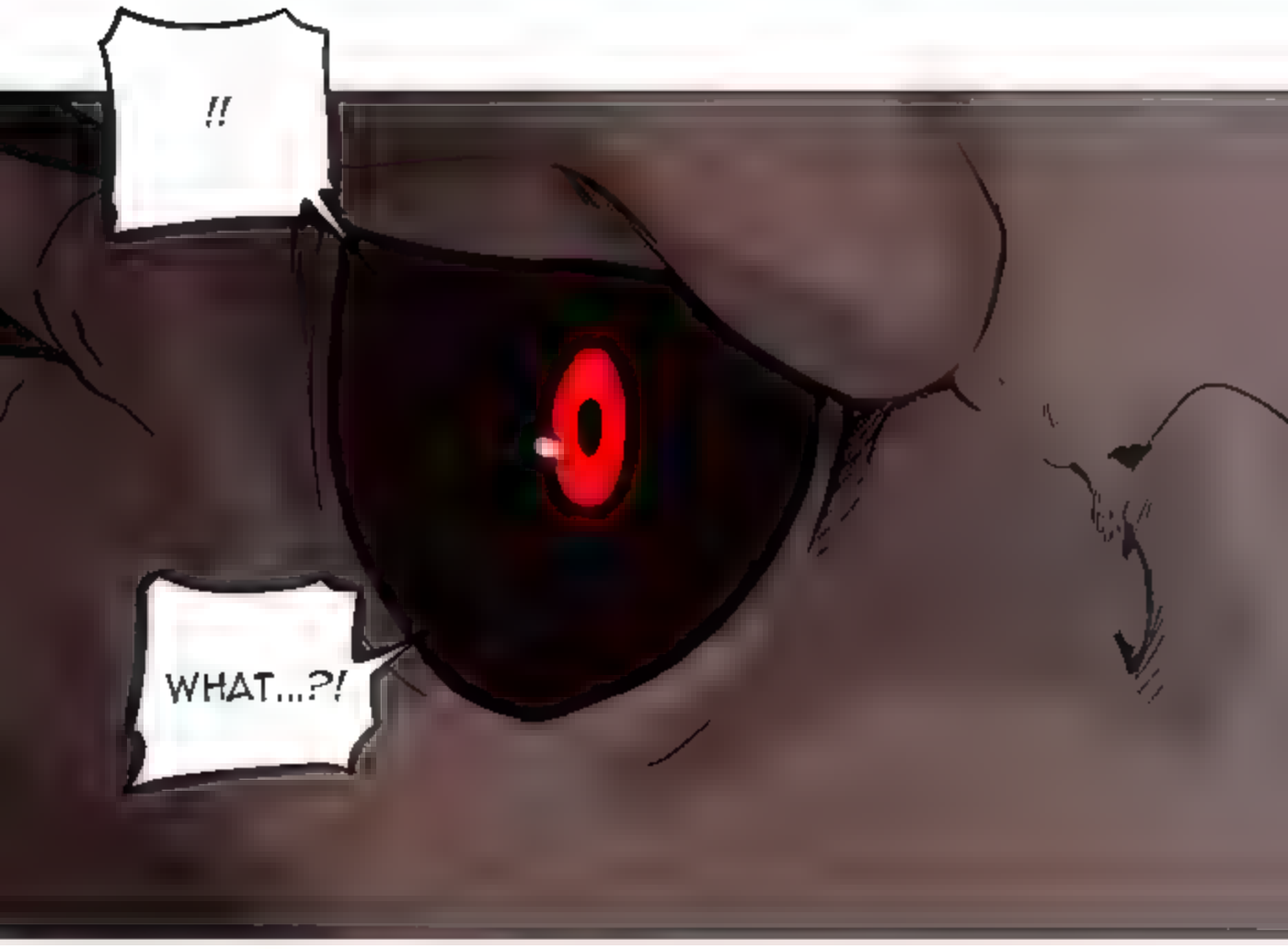
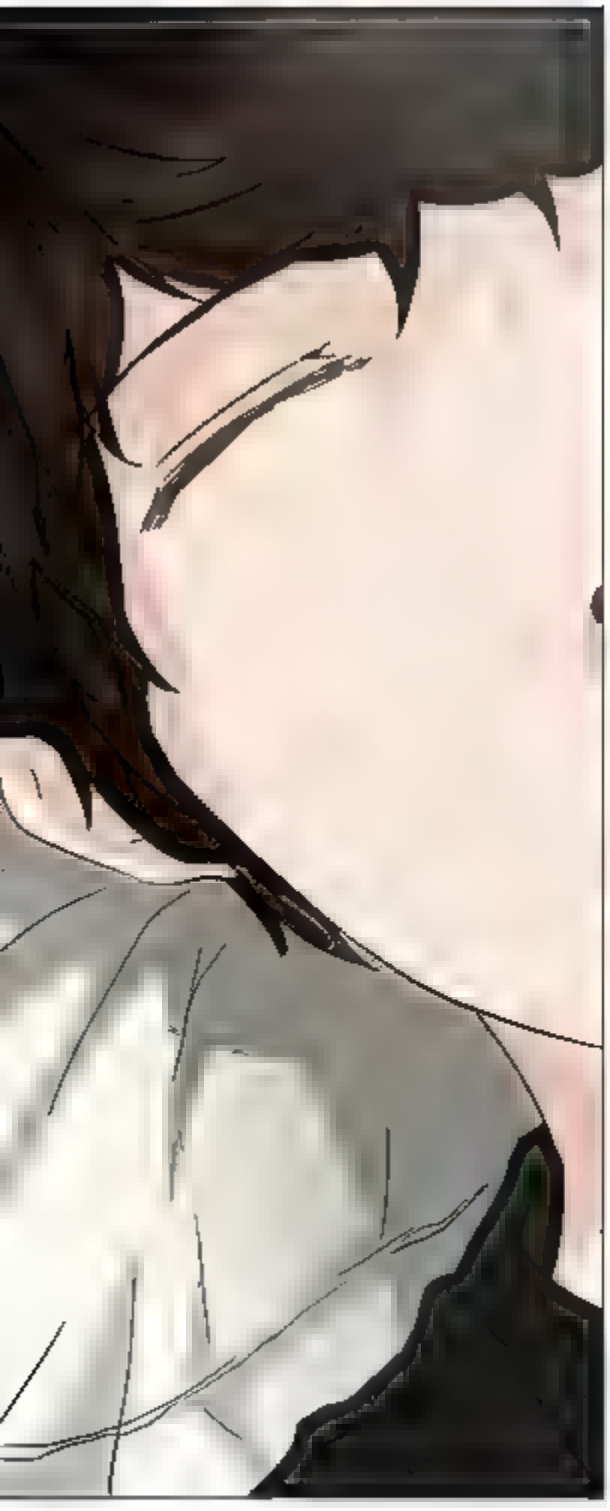
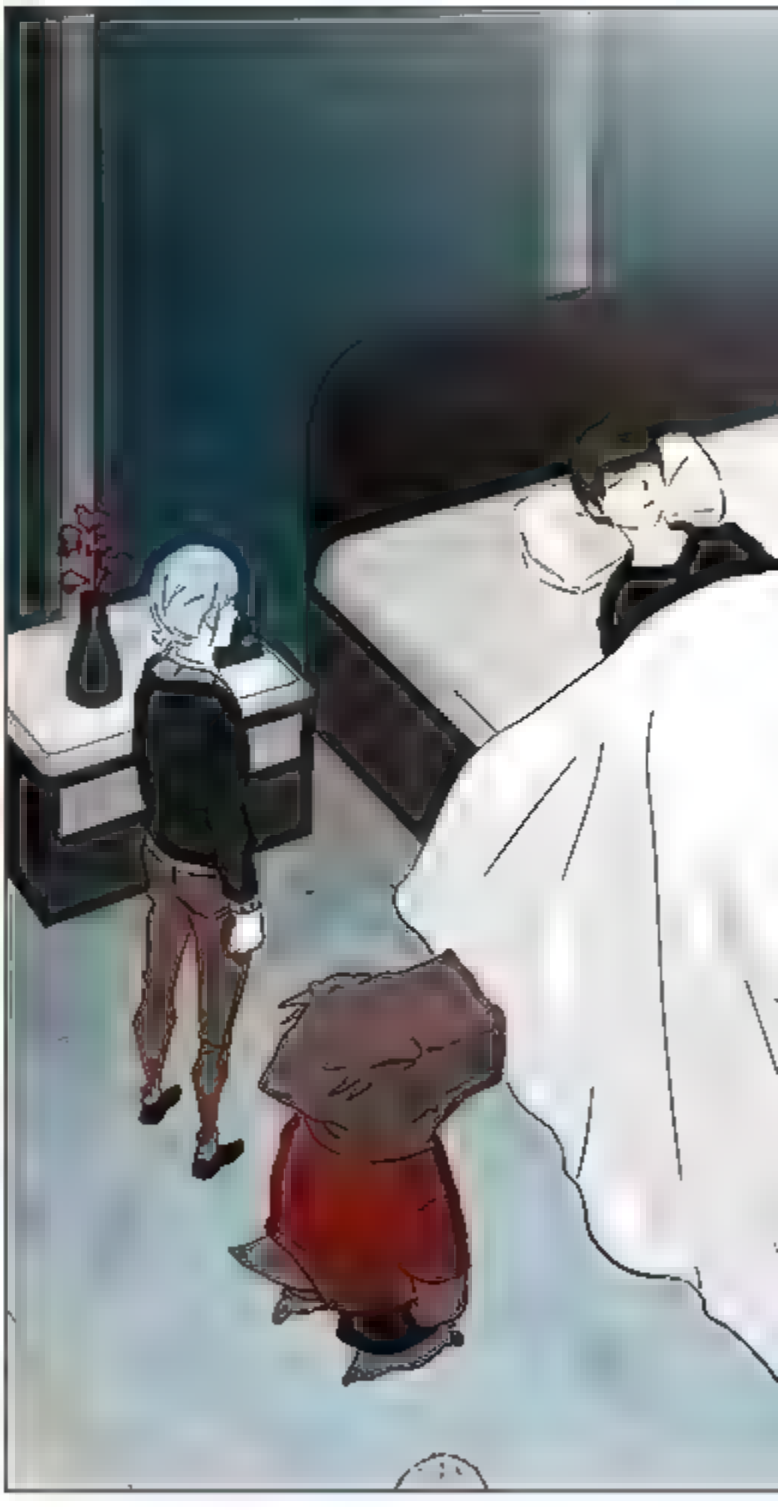
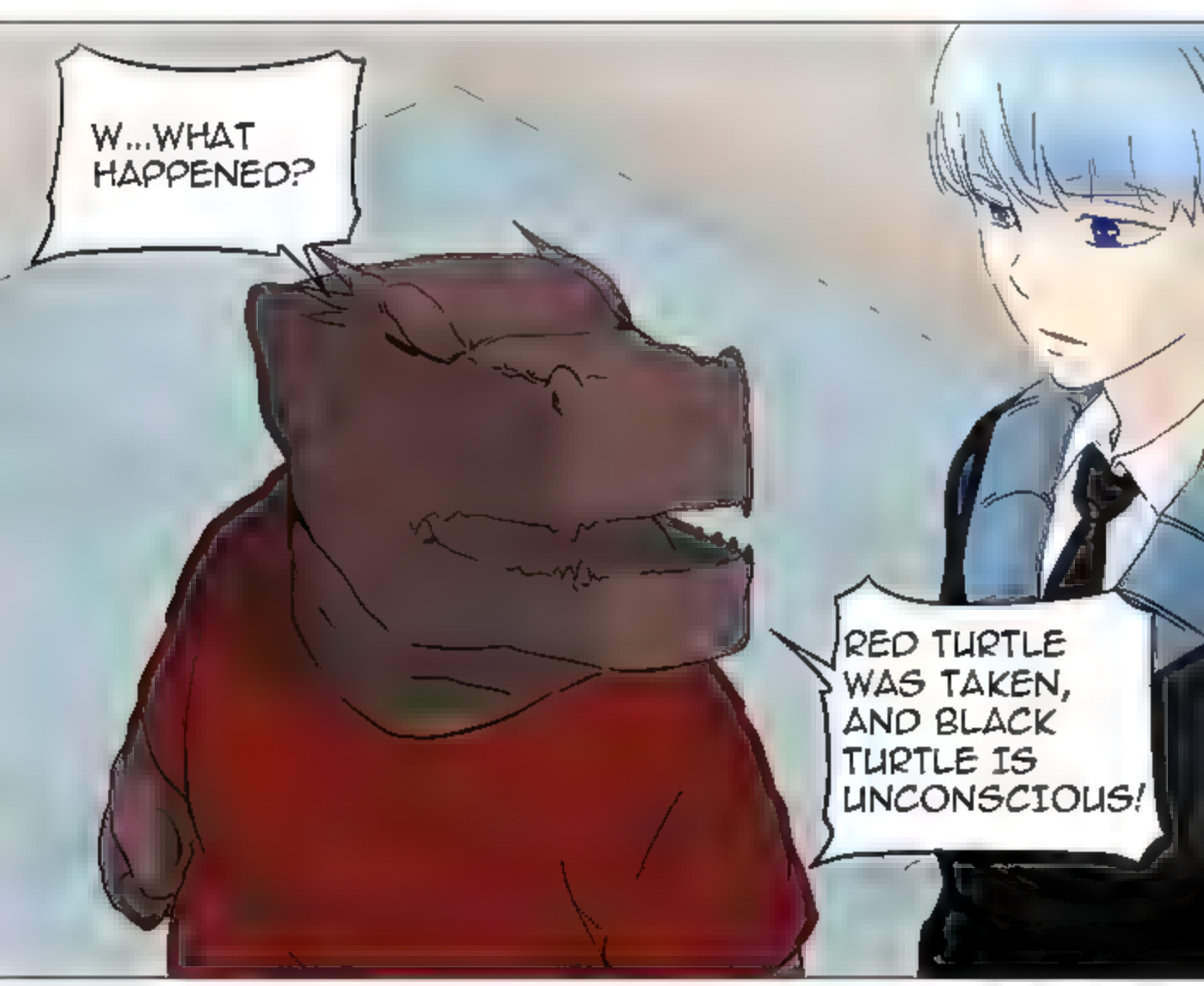


BLACK TURTLE IS UNCONSCIOUS?!





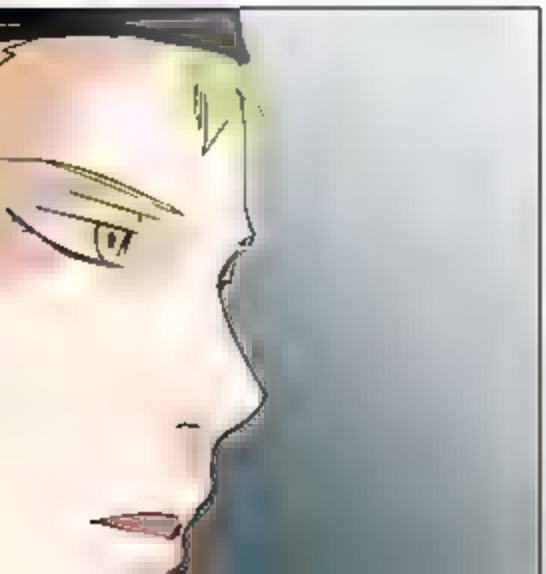

W...WHAT HAPPENED?
RED TURTLE WAS TAKEN, AND BLACK TURTLE IS UNCONSCIOUS!

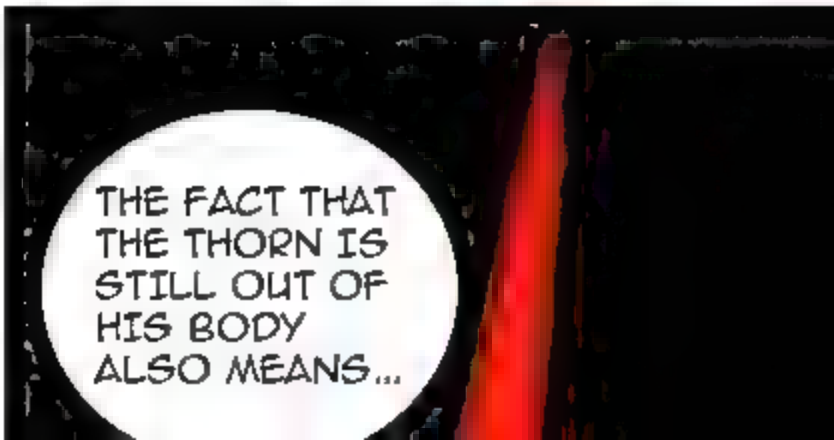
HUH? WHAT THE HELL IS ALL THIS!!

WHY DID ALL THIS HAPPEN WHEN YOU WERE THERE?!
WHY DID YOU LEAVE ME OUT IF YOU COULDN'T STOP THIS WHOLE MESS?!
...I'M SORRY.
I GUESS I WAS NOT STRONG ENOUGH... TO STOP THEM...
SAYING SORRY IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH!
THINGS JUST GOT WORSE ALL BECAUSE OF YOU!!
SLAP

HEY, DON'T BE TOO HARSH ON HIM.
AT LEAST, THE COMPLETE ONE'S LIFE IS SAFE.

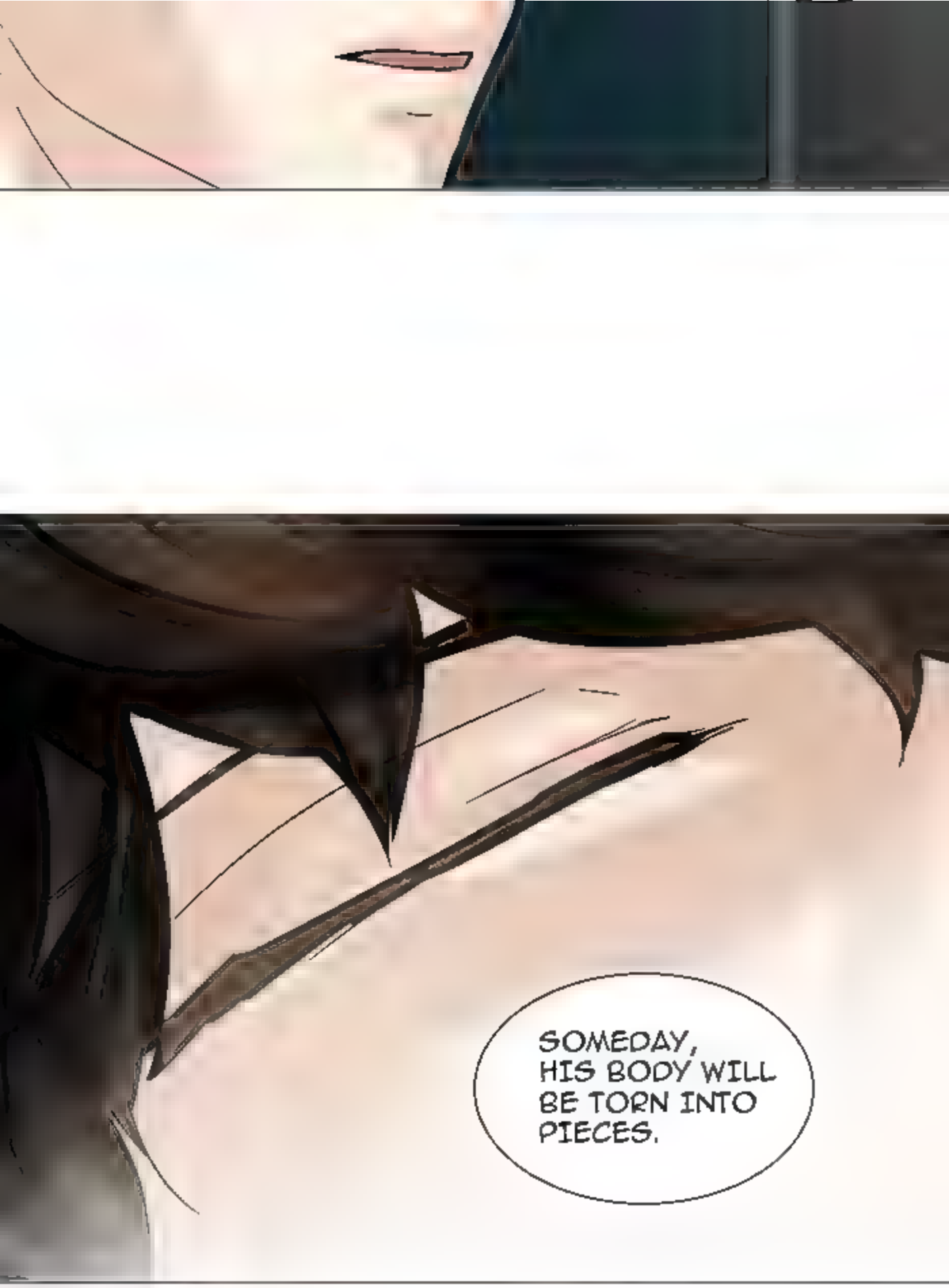
W...WHAT?
A...ARE YOU SURE?!
YES. IT'S JUST THAT HE OVERUSED THE THORN, SO HE'S BEEN OVERLOADED.
HE WOULDN'T DIE BECAUSE OF THAT.
OVER-LOADED...?



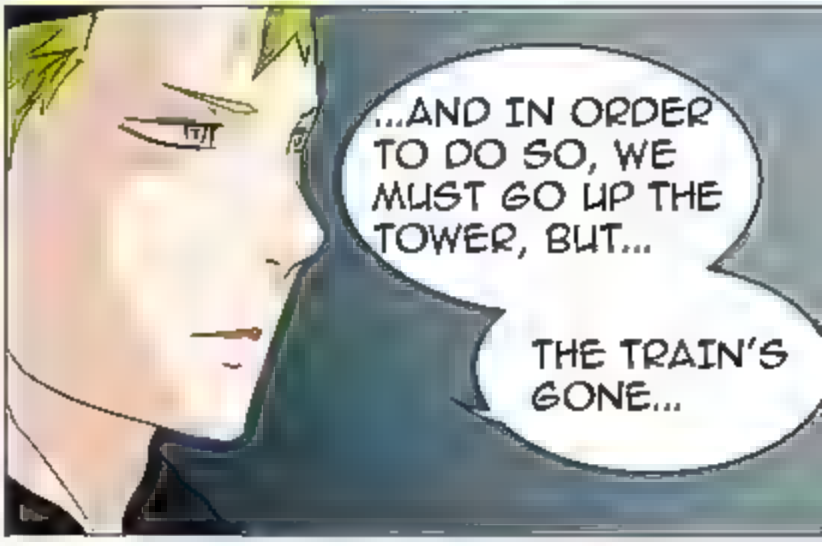

THE FACT THAT THE THORN IS STILL OUT OF HIS BODY ALSO MEANS...

YES. IT'S TRUE THAT THE THORN IS A GREAT ITEM, BUT
HAVING IT DOES NOT MEAN YOU HAVE A PERFECT POWER. AND SINCE HE USED IT OVER THE LIMIT, IT'S NOT SURPRISING THAT HE'S BEEN OVERLOADED.
THAT HE'S NOT ABLE TO COMPLETELY ACCEPT THE THORN YET.

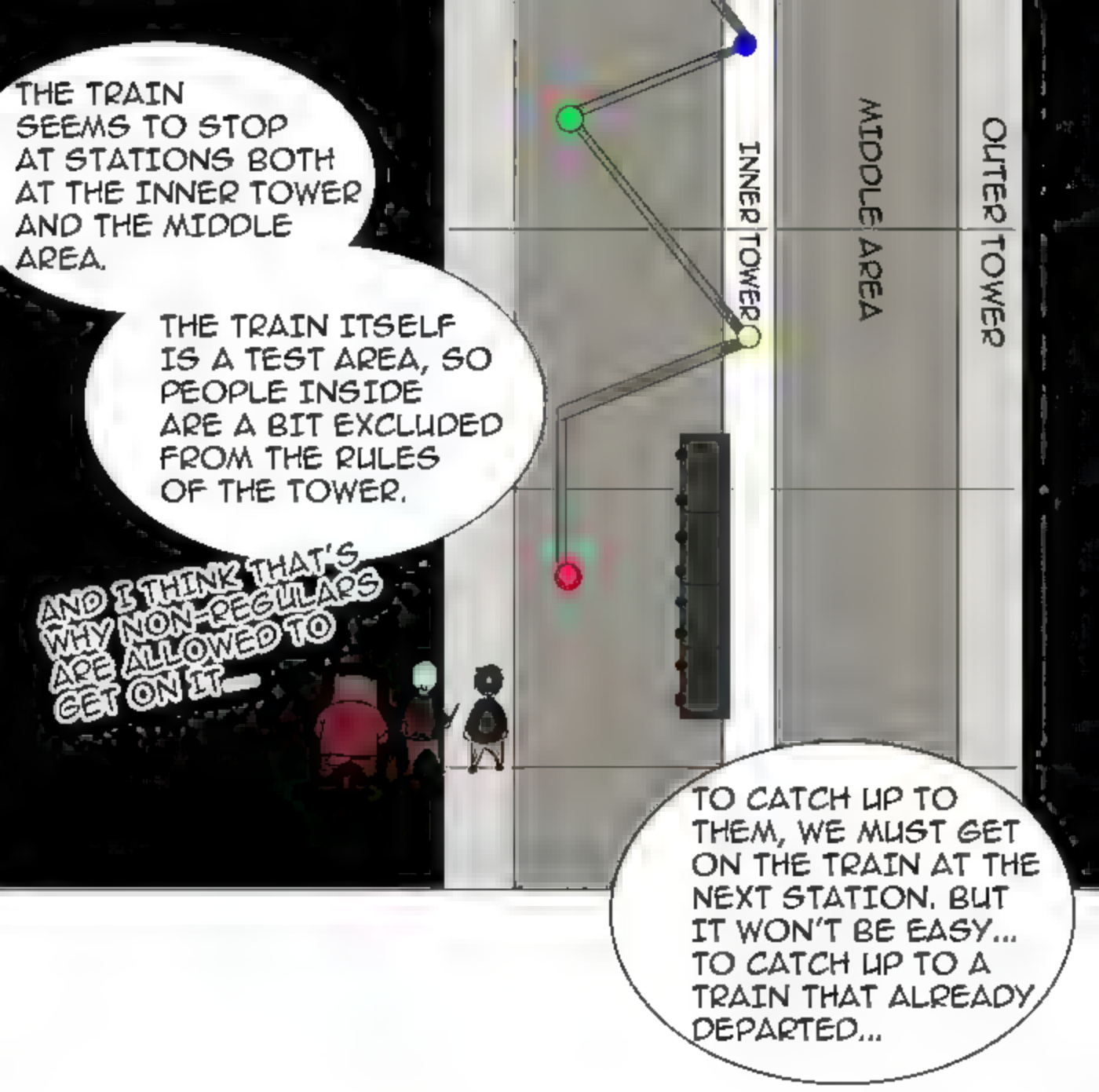
SO... HE WILL BE FINE TODAY, BUT
IF HE KEEPS ON GOING WILD LIKE TODAY...


SOMEDAY, HIS BODY WILL BE TORN INTO PIECES.

WHAT? TORN INTO PIECES?!
IT'S JUST A METAPHOR.
SO, WE MUST GATHER THE THORN'S PIECES AND STABILIZE IT...
OR WAIT FOR HIM TO GAIN THE ABILITY TO OVERCOME THE THORN.


...AND IN ORDER TO DO SO, WE MUST GO UP THE TOWER, BUT...
THE TRAIN'S GONE...

...WHAT SHOULD WE DO NOW...?
THE TRAIN IS ON ITS WAY TO THE NEXT FLOOR...
ALTHOUGH EHWA AND WANGNAN GOT ON THE TRAIN...


THE TRAIN SEEMS TO STOP AT STATIONS BOTH AT THE INNER TOWER AND THE MIDDLE AREA.
THE TRAIN ITSELF IS A TEST AREA, SO PEOPLE INSIDE ARE A BIT EXCLUDED FROM THE RULES OF THE TOWER.
AND I THINK THAT'S WHY NON-REGULARS ARE ALLOWED TO GET ON IT—
INNER TOWER
MIDDLE AREA
OUTER TOWER
TO CATCH UP TO THEM, WE MUST GET ON THE TRAIN AT THE NEXT STATION. BUT IT WON'T BE EASY... TO CATCH UP TO A TRAIN THAT ALREADY DEPARTED...

DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING IN MIND, KHUN?

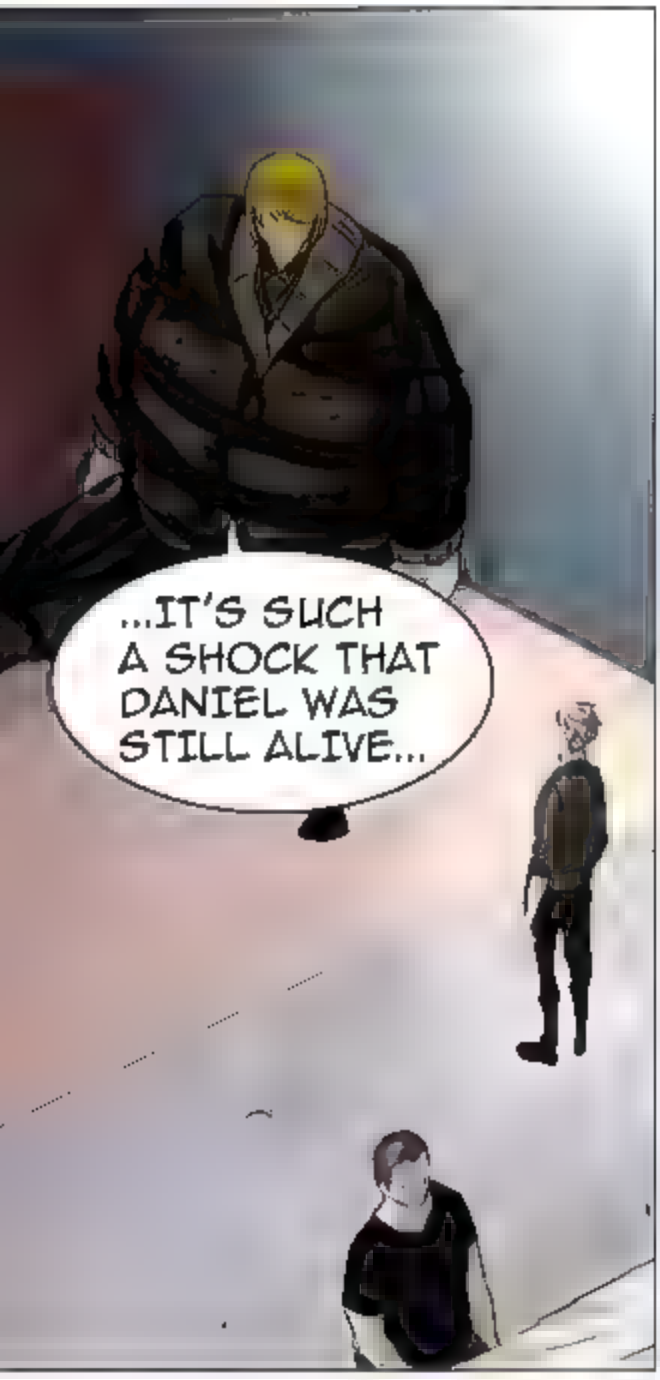
WELL... IT'S TRUE THAT IT WILL BE HARD FOR US WHO DIDN'T TAKE THE TEST YET TO CATCH UP TO THE TRAIN.

THEN, THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY LEFT.

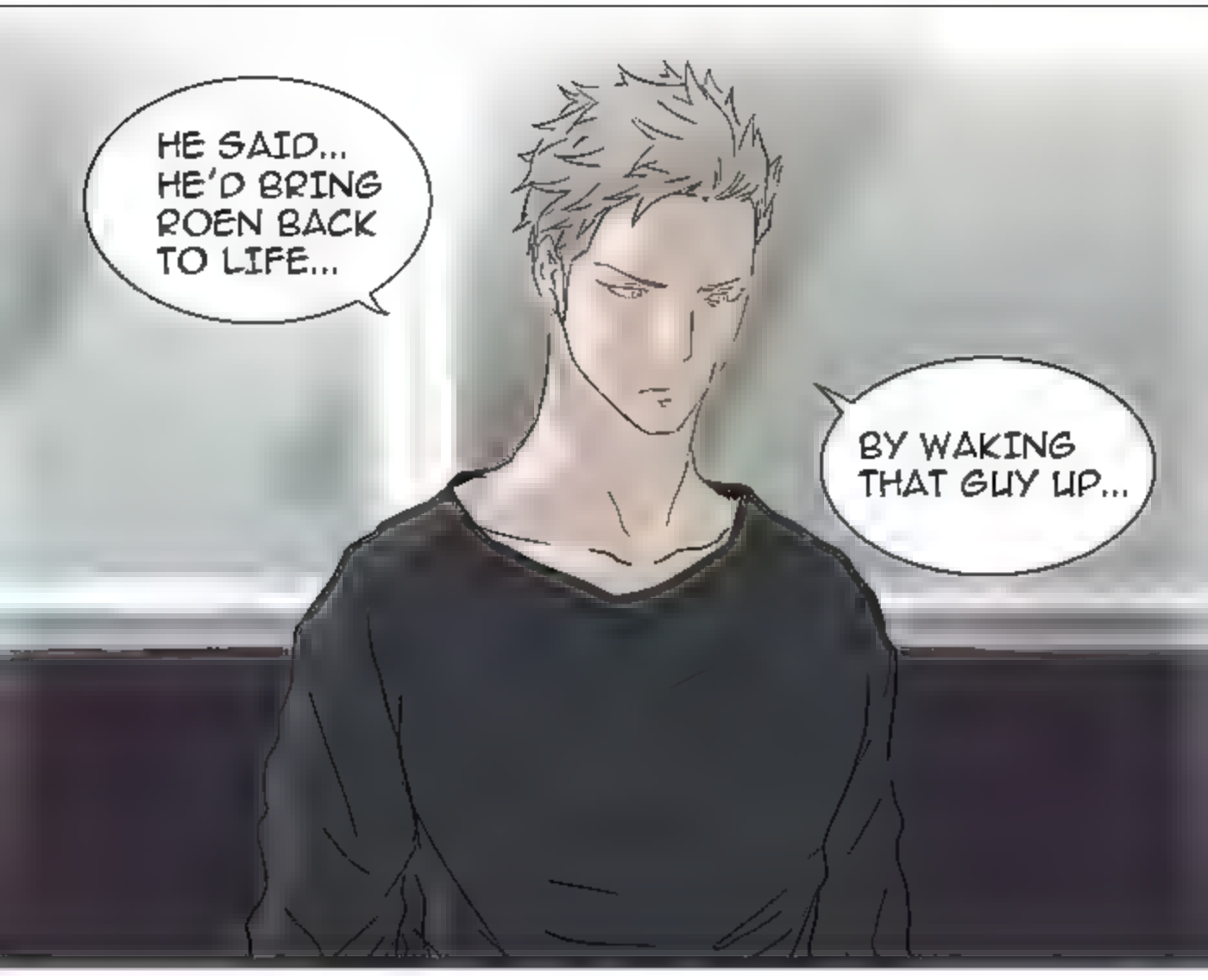
"STOP THE TRAIN SO THAT IT DOESN'T MOVE UP ANYMORE."

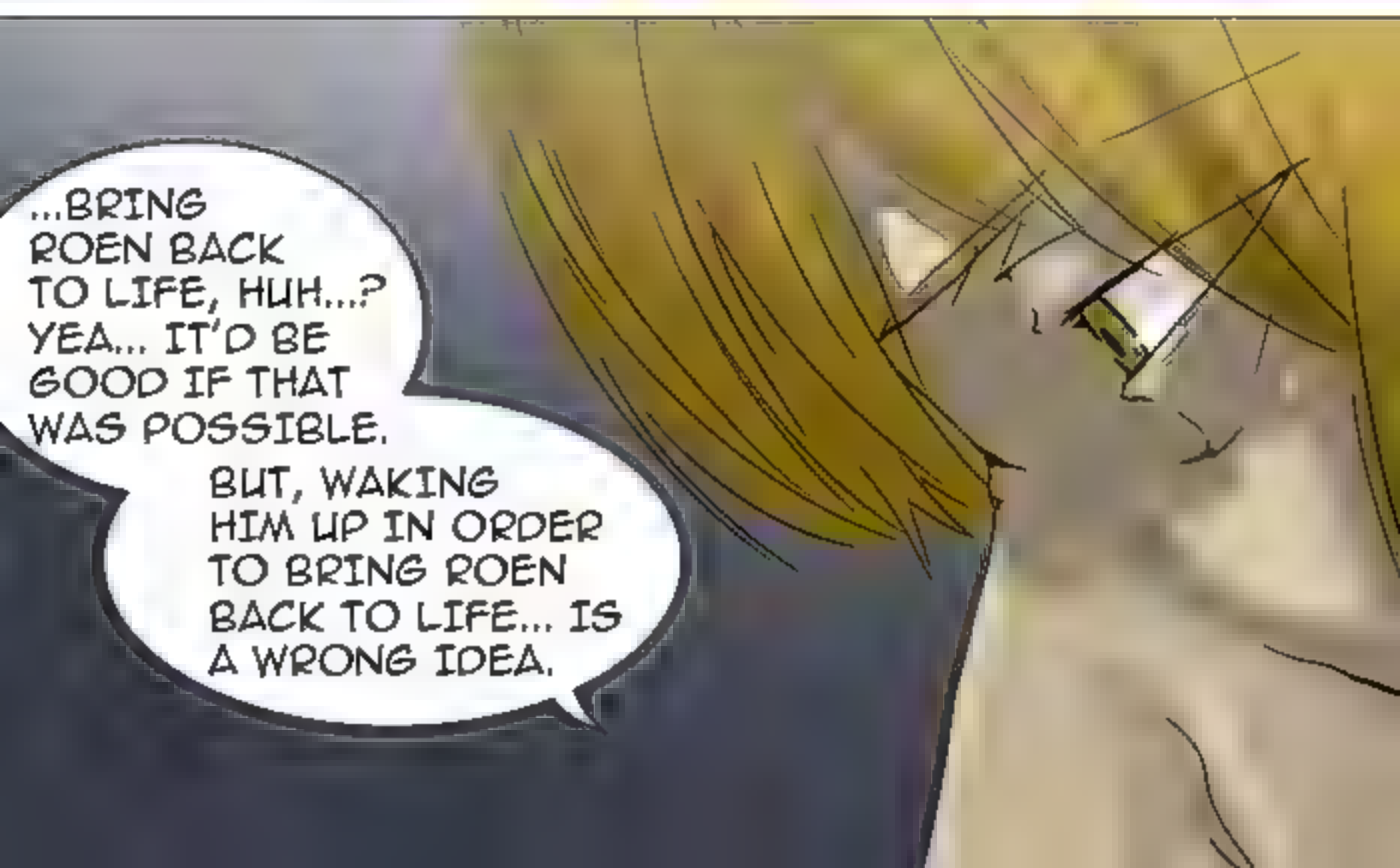
...WHAT?!

WE MUST STOP THE TRAIN FROM GOING UP TO THE NEXT FLOOR...
AND MOVE AS FAST AS WE CAN TO GET ON IT... THAT'S PROBABLY THE ONLY OPTION WE HAVE.


...IT'S SUCH A SHOCK THAT DANIEL WAS STILL ALIVE...

THAT BASTARD... WHAT ON EARTH IS HE UP TO?
TO WORK WITH FUG...


HE SAID... HE'D BRING ROEN BACK TO LIFE...
BY WAKING THAT GUY UP...


...BRING ROEN BACK TO LIFE, HUH...? YEA... IT'D BE GOOD IF THAT WAS POSSIBLE.
BUT, WAKING HIM UP IN ORDER TO BRING ROEN BACK TO LIFE... IS A WRONG IDEA.

I KNOW. MAYBE DANIEL IS BEING DECEIVED BY FUG.
THAT KID NAMED BAM...
DANIEL CALLED HIM...

"JUE VIOLE GRACE".
!!

VIOLE...? YOU MEAN, "THE" JUE VIOLE GRACE?!

THE SLAYER NOMINEE WHO WENT MISSING AT THE E-CLASS WORKSHOP BATTLE?!

T...THEN, IS BAM REALLY...?

YES. HE DID SAY THAT HE HAS SOME CONNECTION TO FUG.

IT'S LIKELY THAT BAM IS VIOLE.

AND I'M ASSUMING THAT THERE WERE SOME PROBLEMS THAT CAUSED HIM TO BETRAY FUG AND LEAVE.

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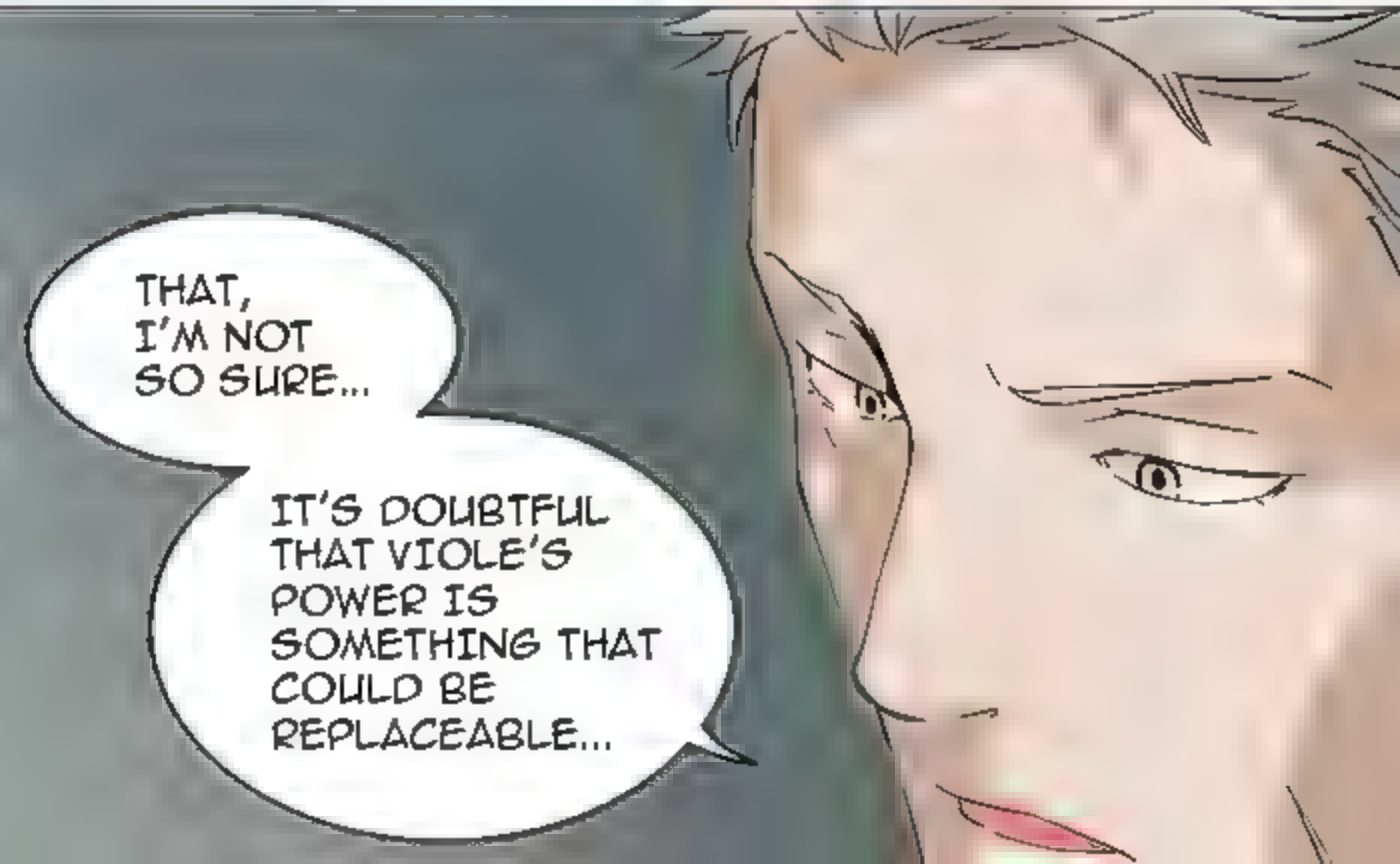
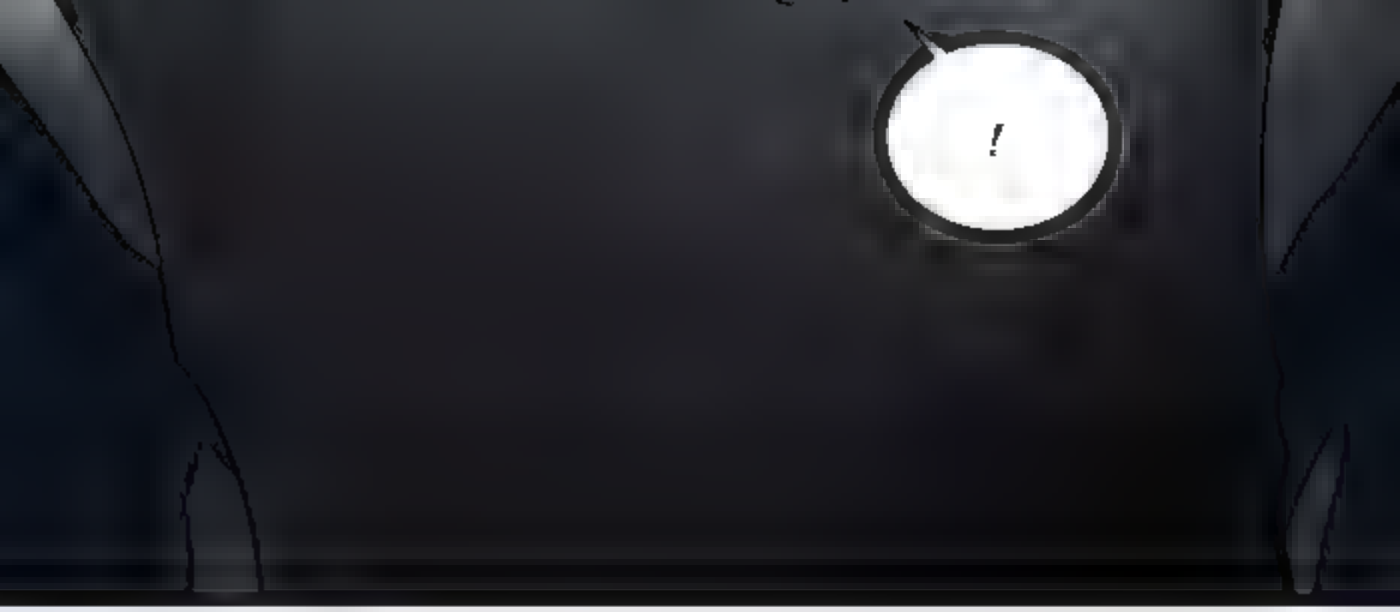
...THEN, THE REASON WHY FUG IS TRYING TO WAKE THAT GUY UP AGAIN COULD BE...
BECAUSE THEY NEED SOMEONE TO REPLACE JUE VIOLE GRACE. IS THAT IT?


THAT, I'M NOT SO SURE...
IT'S DOUBTFUL THAT VIOLE'S POWER IS SOMETHING THAT COULD BE REPLACEABLE...

BUT
ONE THING IS
FOR SURE AT
THE MOMENT...
WAKING THAT
GUY UP IS JUST
A MATTER OF
TIME.
THUMP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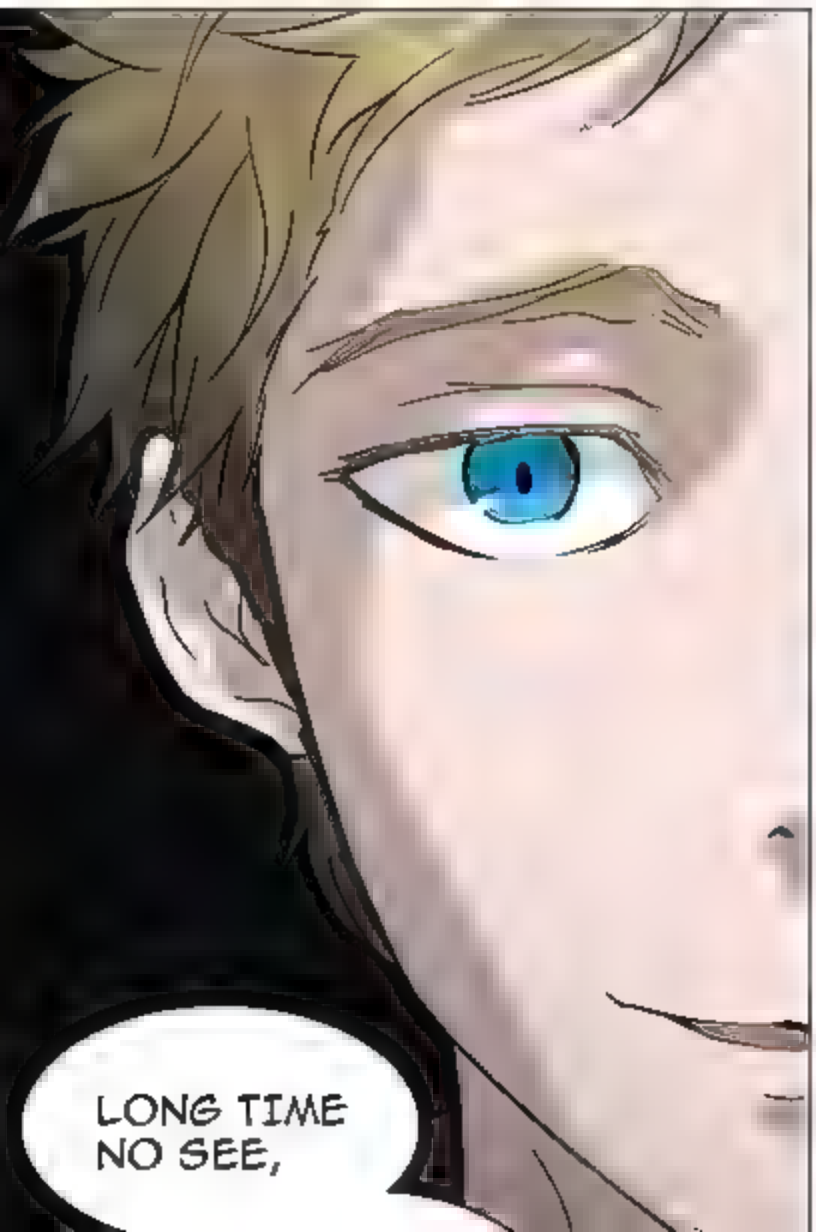
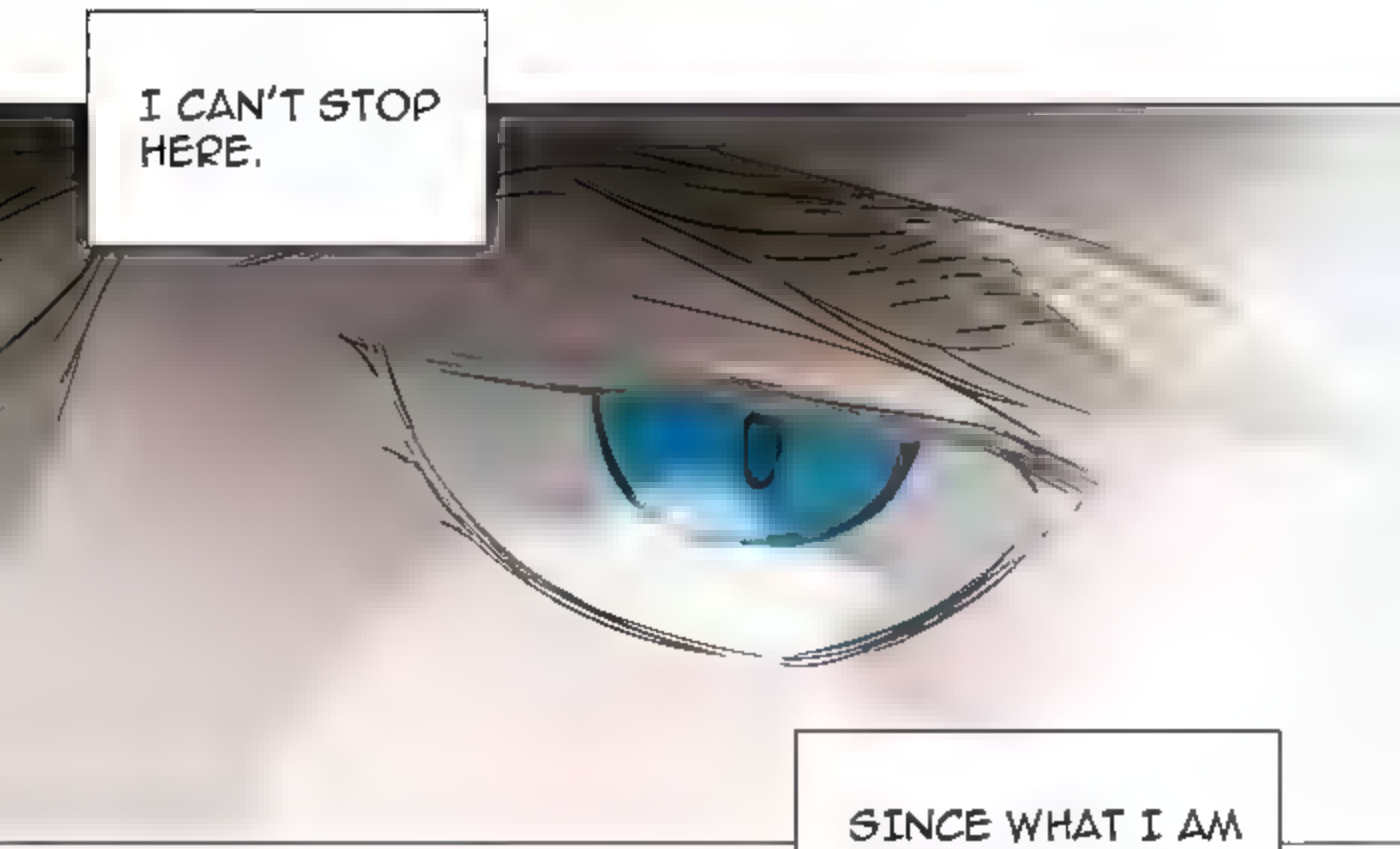

LONG TIME NO SEE,

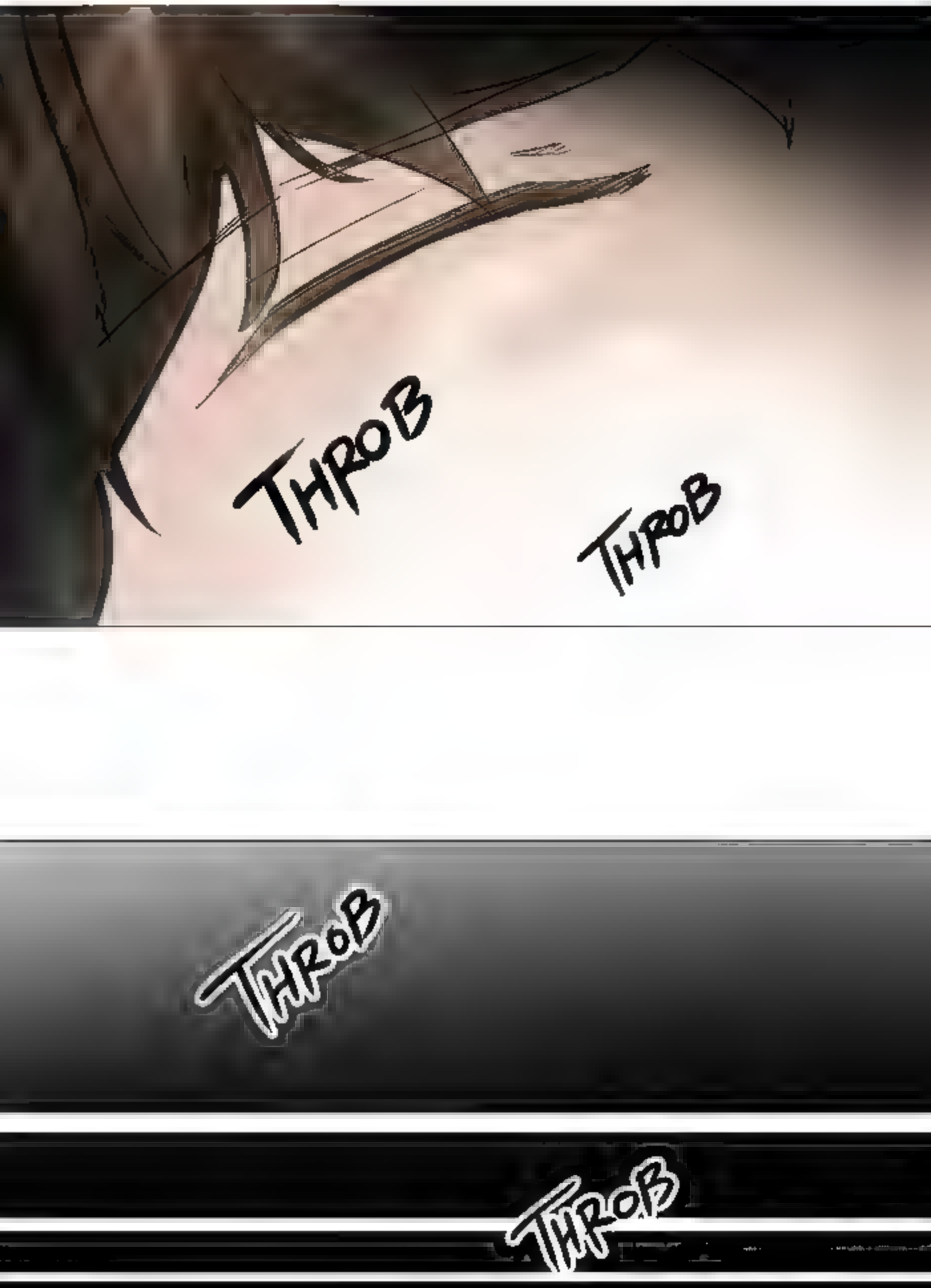
CREAK
CREAK
ARE YOU GUYS HERE TO WELCOME US OR SOMETHING?

GUARDIANS OF THE TRAIN GATE.
YOU GUYS ARE SO MERCILESS.
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
DON'T YOU SEE I'M WOUNDED?
BUT-!
SHOOM



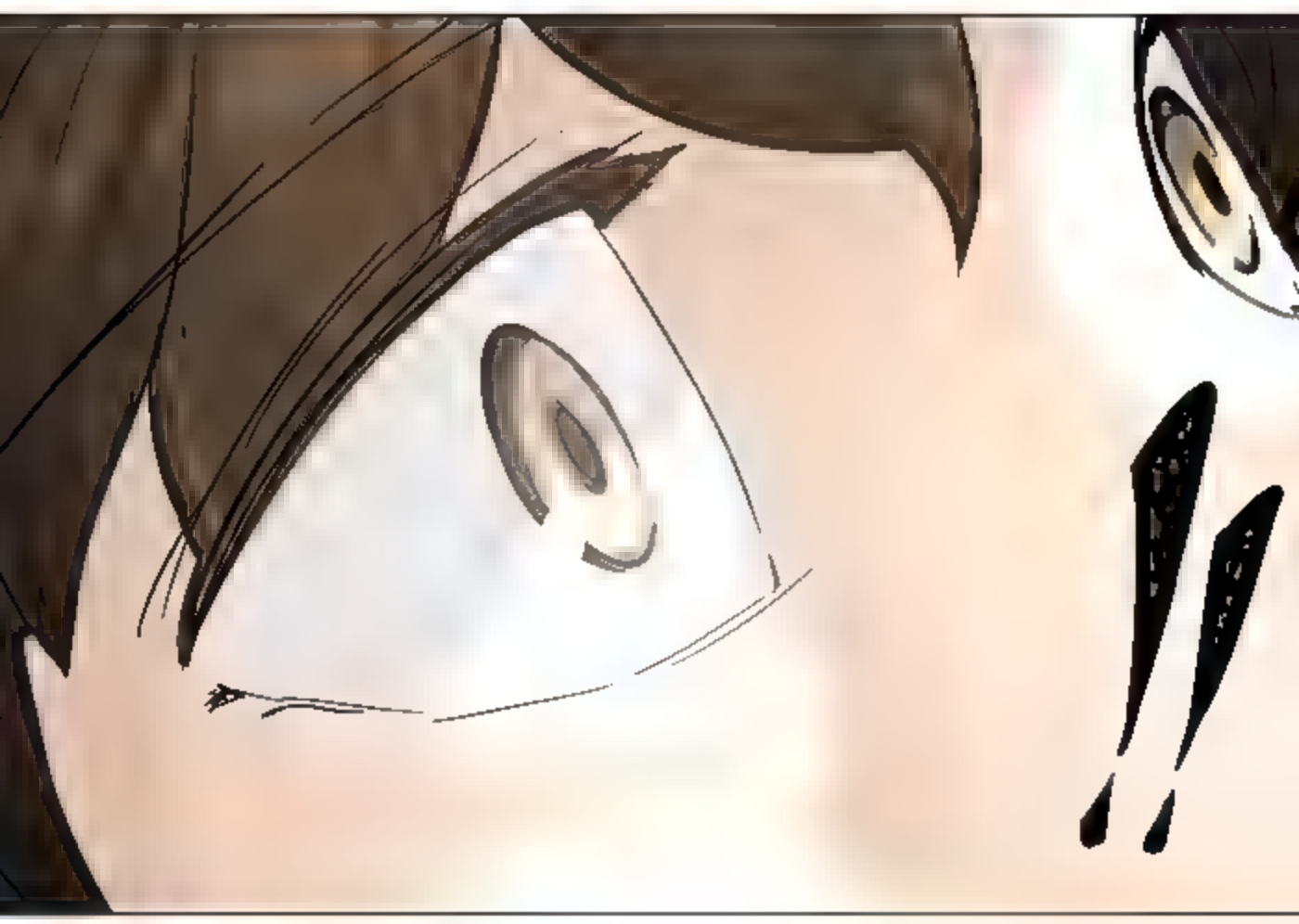
SINCE WHAT I AM AIMING FOR... IS FINALLY STARTING NOW.

WAIT FOR ME... ROEN...!


THROB
THROB
THROB
THROB

MY HEAD ACHES...
WHERE AM I?
DARKNESS?
IT SEEMS FAMILIAR FOR SOME REASON...
I THINK...
BOY-
SOMEONE... IS CALLING FOR ME...
BOY-

BOY-
WHIR



ARE YOU AWAKE?
YOU'VE BEEN SLEEPING FOR QUITE A WHILE NOW.
!!
Spooky

WHAT IS THAT...? A RED BALL?
W...WHO ARE YOU?

WHIR-
WELL... WHO AM I?
WHIR-
I'M NOT SURE EITHER.
I'M JUST... A "POWER".
POWER?

THAT'S RIGHT. I'M A POWER.
OR SHOULD I CALL MYSELF...
A DEMON... THAT YOU GUYS CREATED? ANYWAY, THOSE WHO STUDIED ME CALLED ME THAT.
YOU'D PROBABLY KNOW WHO I AM, SINCE YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO GO UP.
AND THAT MUST BE WHY YOU HAVE GAINED A PART OF THIS POWER.

.....!
BECAUSE OF THAT DESIRE.
REACH OUT,
AND TAKE THIS POWER.
HIGHER...
THIS WILL NOT BE ENOUGH, BUT THIS POWER WILL HELP YOU GO HIGHER.
TZZT
TZZT
AND... HIGHER-

Star Boy
YOU'LL BECOME...
QUITE USEFUL NOW-

WHAT?! THE TRAIN LEFT ALREADY?!

WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO NOW?
WHAT ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT?

WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING TO DO NOW?!

.....

EVERYONE WILL FIND OUT THAT THE TOURNAMENT WAS A FAKE.

IT WILL BE REVEALED SOON.

ALONG WITH YURA'S CONCERT BEING FAKE FROM THE BEGINNING, AND THAT THE TRAIN ALREADY DEPARTED.

STOMP

STOMP
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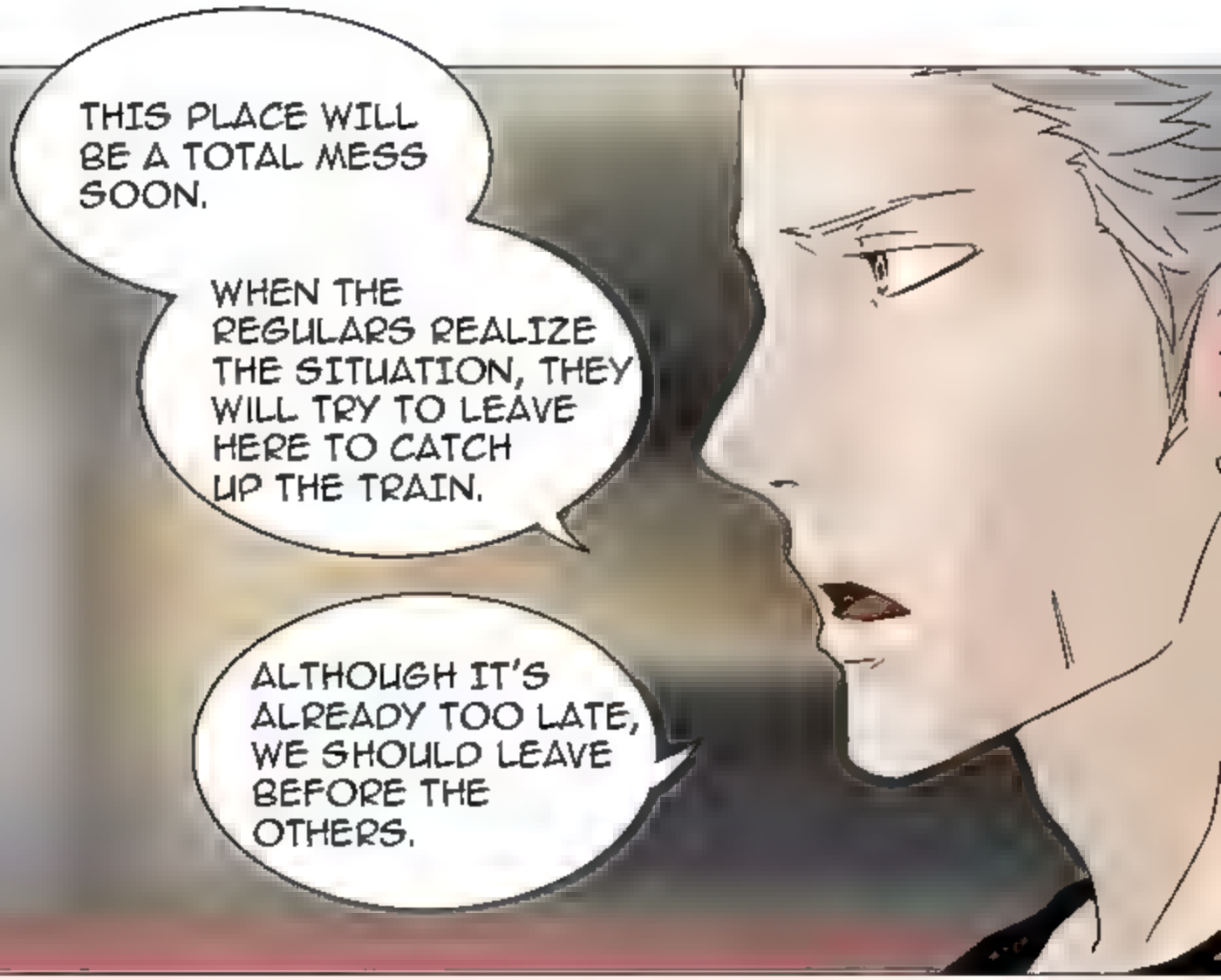
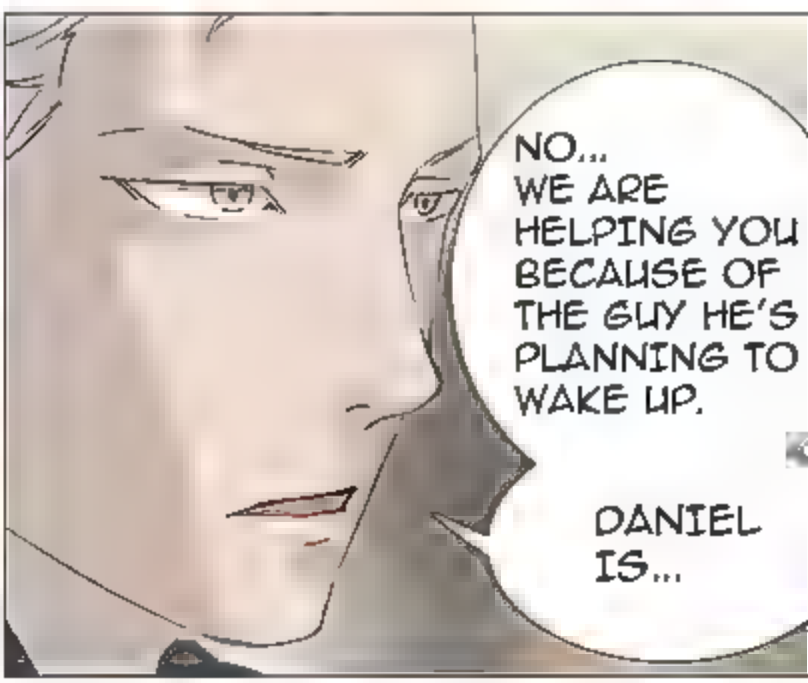

THIS PLACE WILL BE A TOTAL MESS SOON.
WHEN THE REGULARS REALIZE THE SITUATION, THEY WILL TRY TO LEAVE HERE TO CATCH UP THE TRAIN.
ALTHOUGH IT'S ALREADY TOO LATE, WE SHOULD LEAVE BEFORE THE OTHERS.

YOU GUYS SHOULD GO TO THE TEST AREA NOW, AND GET PREPARED TO GO AFTER THE TRAIN.
I'LL CLEAR THINGS HERE WITH MY TEAMMATES.
IT'LL BE HARD TO MEET AGAIN SOON, SO LET'S MEET AT THE STATION ON THE 37TH FLOOR.

THE STATION ON THE 37TH FLOOR?
ARE YOU SAYING YOU'LL HELP US?
BECAUSE OF THAT GUY, DANIEL?


NO... WE ARE HELPING YOU BECAUSE OF THE GUY HE'S PLANNING TO WAKE UP.
DANIEL IS...

TRYING TO WAKE UP...

THE "SLAYER NOMINEE" OF FUG, WHO'S BEEN SEALED IN THE TRAIN SINCE LONG AGO.

...WHAT?!

A SLAYER... NOMINEE?

RIGHT...

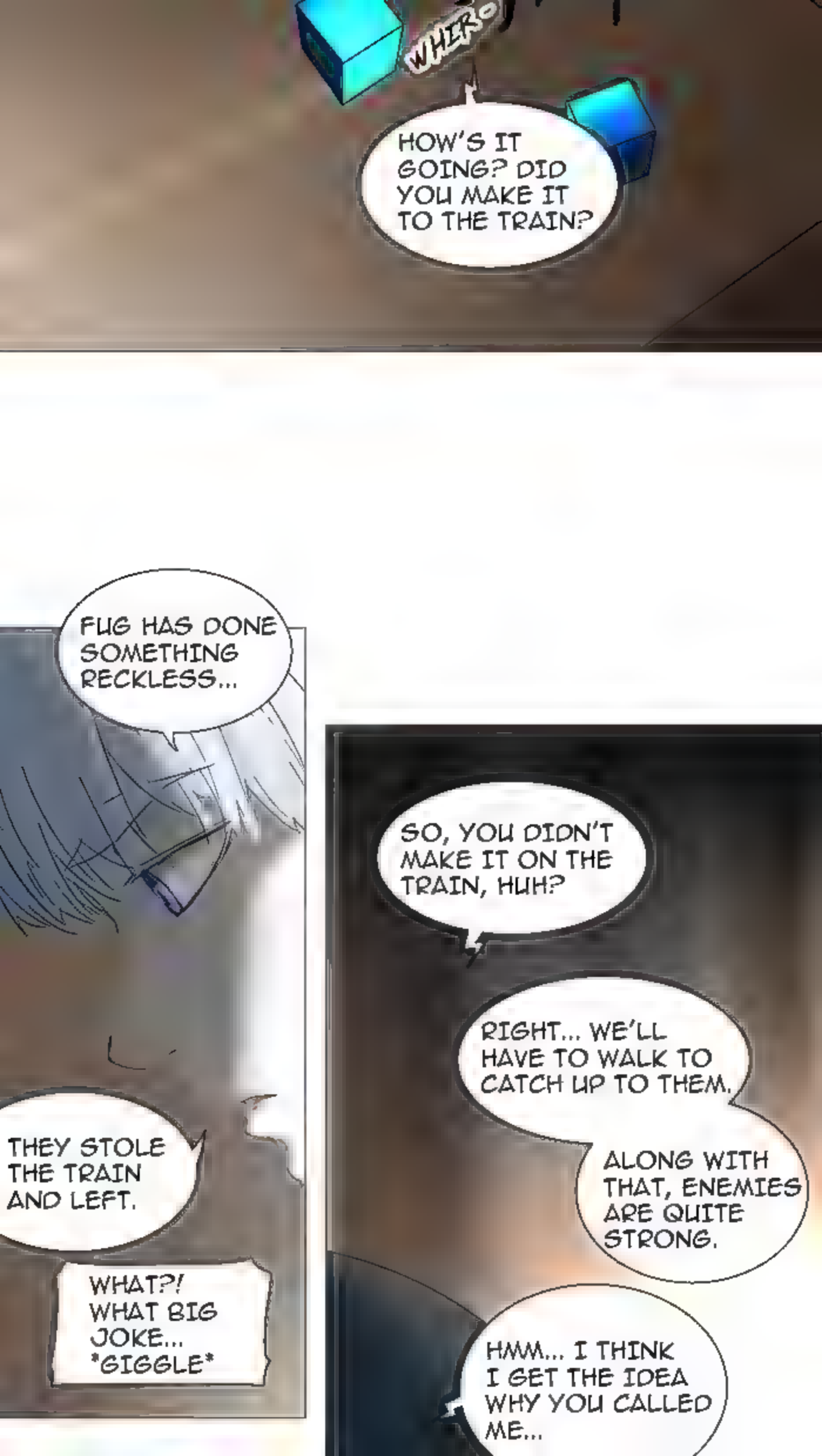
HE WAS PROBABLY ERASED IN THE HISTORY...

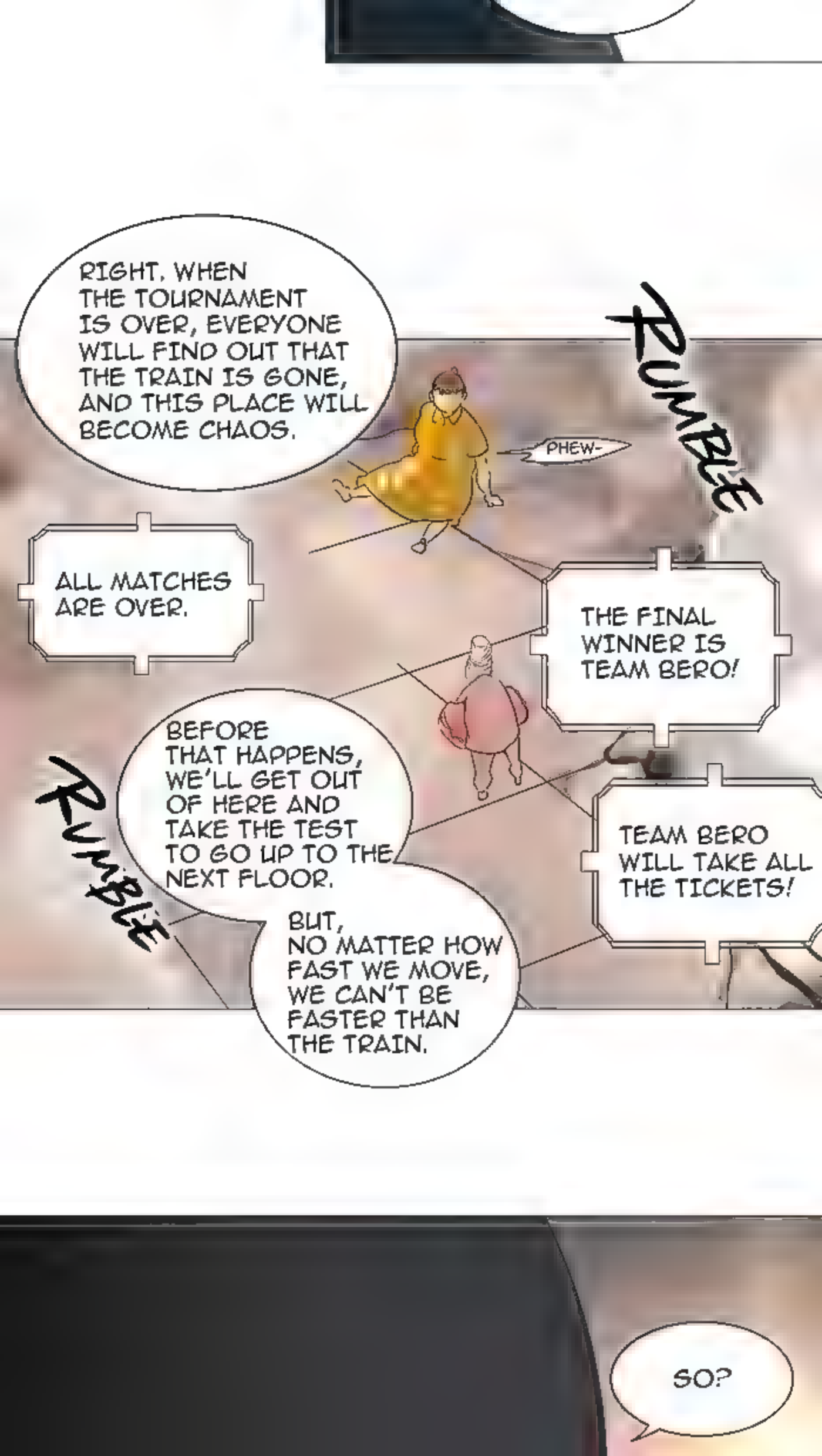
THE WORST TICKETER... WHO TOLD US THAT HE WAS TO BECOME A SLAYER...

FUG'S
SLAYER NOMINEE..
"HOAQIN".

IF HE REALLY WAKES UP...
NOT ONLY THOSE ON THE TRAIN... BUT ALL THE E-CLASS REGULARS MAY FALL TO HELL.
WE'LL TELL YOU HOW TO GET OUT OF THIS PLACE SINCE THE ADMINISTRATOR IS NOT HERE ANYMORE...
LEAVE THIS PLACE AS SOON AS BAM WAKES UP.

YO-
LONG TIME NO SEE, A.A.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I TALKED TO YOU.
WHIR-

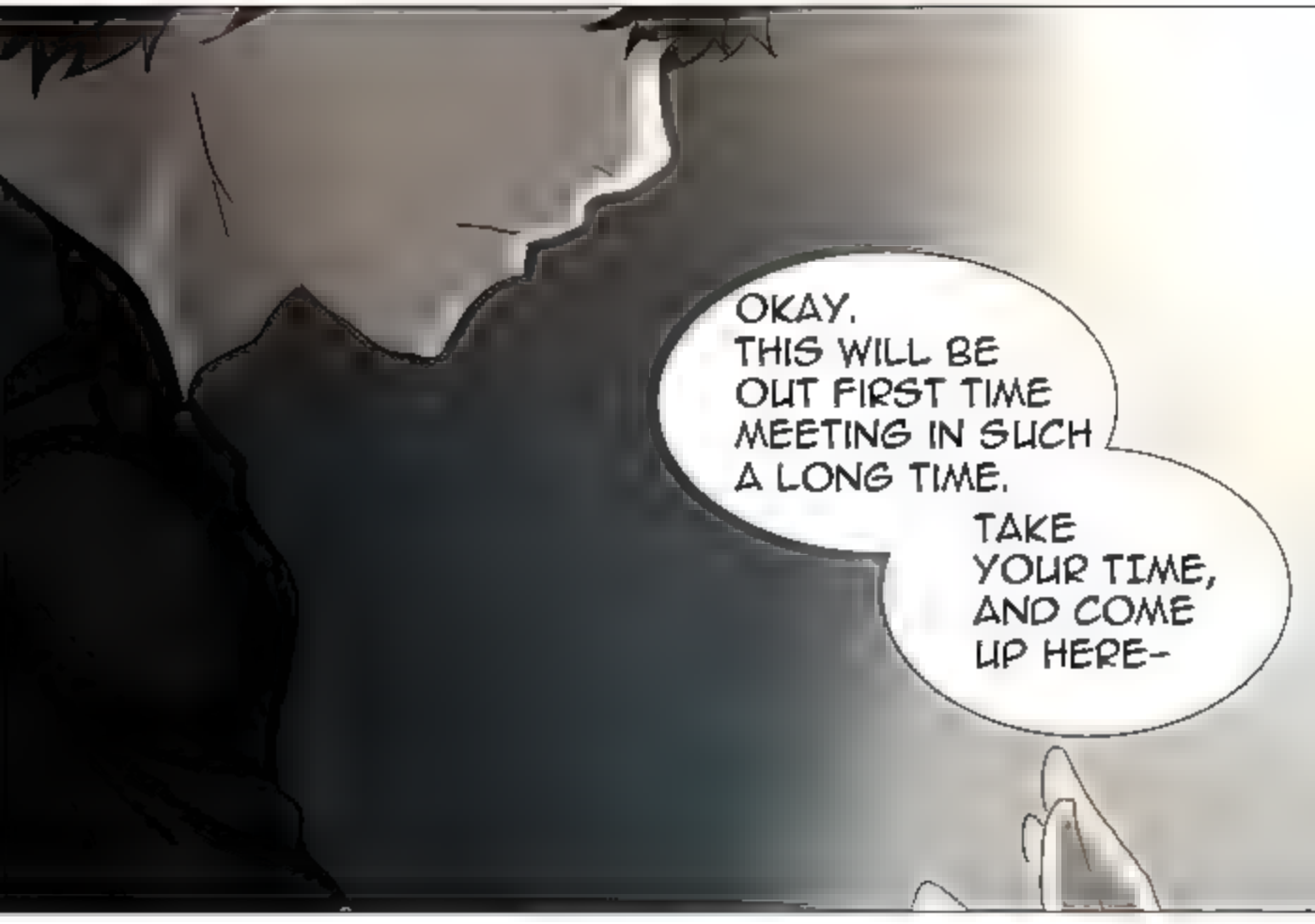

WHIR
HOW'S IT GOING? DID YOU MAKE IT TO THE TRAIN?
FUG HAS DONE SOMETHING RECKLESS...
THEY STOLE THE TRAIN AND LEFT.
WHAT?! WHAT BIG JOKE... *GIGGLE*
SO, YOU DIDN'T MAKE IT ON THE TRAIN, HUH?
RIGHT... WE'LL HAVE TO WALK TO CATCH UP TO THEM.
ALONG WITH THAT, ENEMIES ARE QUITE STRONG.
HMM... I THINK I GET THE IDEA WHY YOU CALLED ME...


RIGHT. WHEN THE TOURNAMENT IS OVER, EVERYONE WILL FIND OUT THAT THE TRAIN IS GONE, AND THIS PLACE WILL BECOME CHAOS.
RUMBLE
PHEW-
ALL MATCHES ARE OVER.
THE FINAL WINNER IS TEAM BERO!
RUMBLE
BEFORE THAT HAPPENS, WE'LL GET OUT OF HERE AND TAKE THE TEST TO GO UP TO THE NEXT FLOOR.
TEAM BERO WILL TAKE ALL THE TICKETS!
BUT, NO MATTER HOW FAST WE MOVE, WE CAN'T BE FASTER THAN THE TRAIN.
SO?

SO...
I WANT YOU TO STOP THE TRAIN.
MY TEAMMATES... ARE ON THAT TRAIN.
SO, IF YOU STOP THE TRAIN FOR US, WE CAN HANDLE THE REST OF THE PROBLEMS.
.....

HMM-
I SEE...
OKAY,
I'LL HELP
YOU OUT.
BUT, YOU'LL
HAVE TO PAY
FOR THIS.

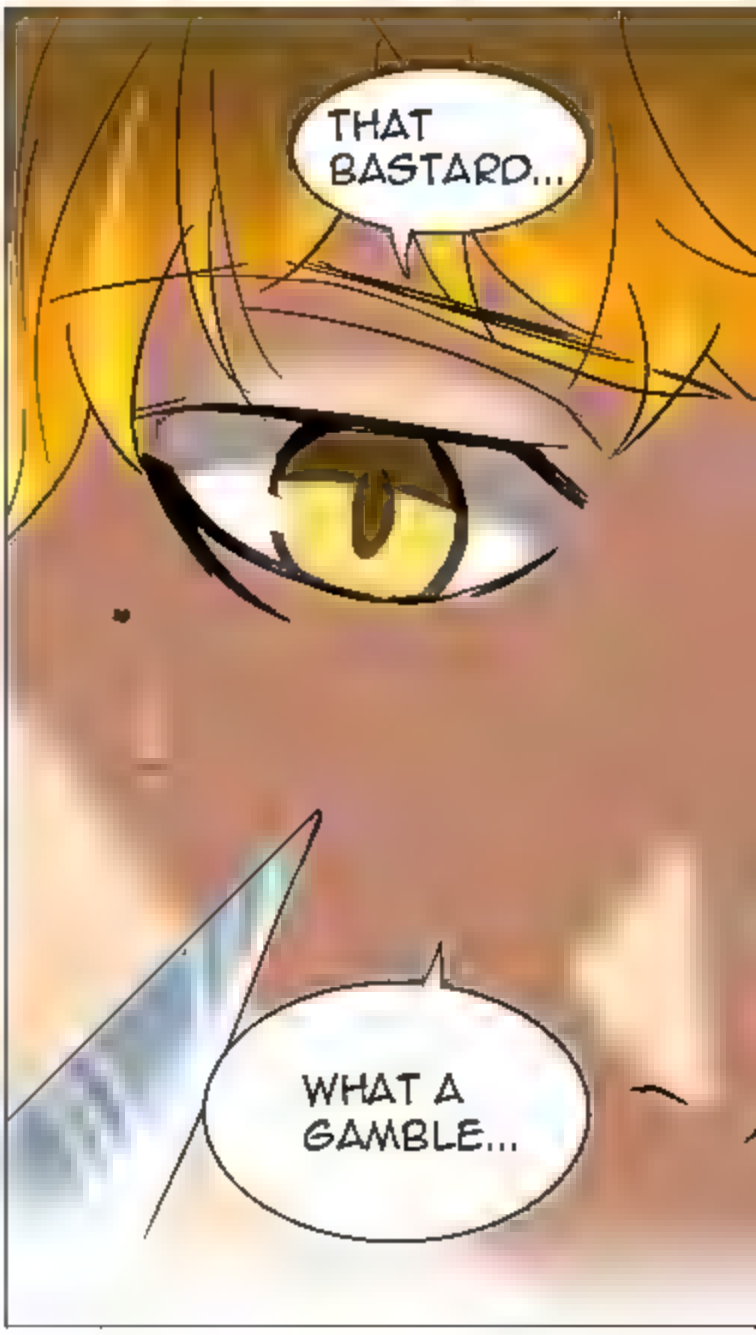
SSH-
KEEP THAT IN MIND.


OKAY. THIS WILL BE OUT FIRST TIME MEETING IN SUCH A LONG TIME.
TAKE YOUR TIME, AND COME UP HERE-

CLENCH
LET'S MEET AGAIN ON THE "TRAIN".

RATTLE-
RATTLE-

RATTLE-
GRAB-
RATTLE-


THAT BASTARD...
WHAT A GAMBLE...

RATTLE-

CLANK-!
THUMP-
BANG-
LET'S GO.
RATTLE-

LINE Webtoon

WHIR-
WHIR-

CLANK

SCREECH

BANG
THUMP
KA-BAM

PHEW-
TAP

THUMP-

LOOKS LIKE YOUR LEGS ARE BACK.
NOTHING I COULDN'T HANDLE, I CAN RECOVER AS LONG AS THERE'RE ENOUGH SOULS.
THE DAMAGE FROM THAT SLAYER NOM-INEE KID WAS PRETTY ROUGH THOUGH...
STUMP-
STUMP-
I GUESS THE SOULS YOU CONSUMED AT THE LAST STATION WERE WORTH IT.

YEAH, I HAD ENOUGH. I NEVER GET IT "FULLY FILLED" THOUGH.
IT WILL BE DAYTIME IN THIS TRAIN SOON.
I MEAN... VERY SOON.
I SEE.
I CAN ALMOST FEEL HIS BREATH FROM HERE.

I GUESS YOU WERE RIGHT AFTER ALL.
WAIT FOR US...
CREAK

HOAQIN..!

Tower of God

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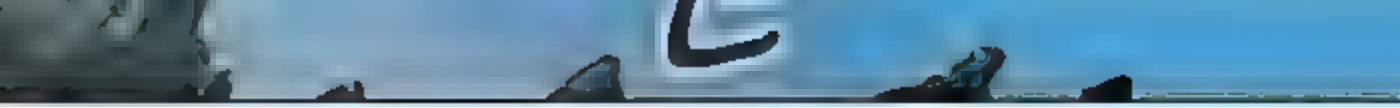
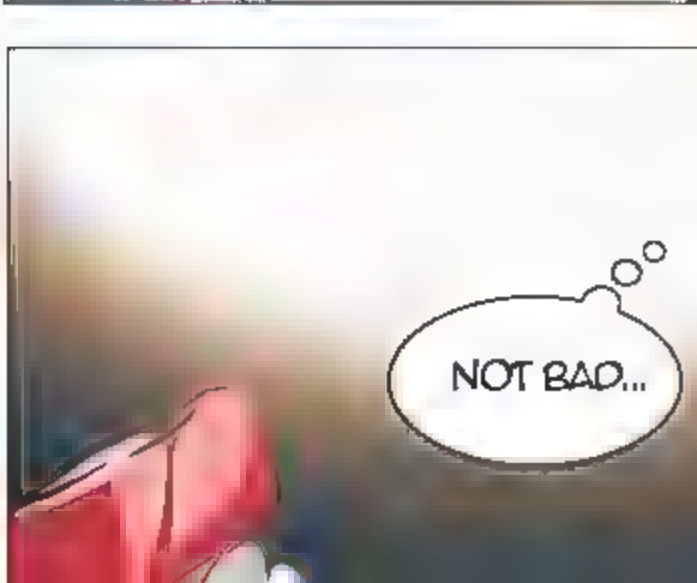
36TH FLOOR
OF THE TOWER
RUMBLE
DEOKJA,
AN AIRSHIP HEADED
TO THE TEST AREA



WELCOME, SIR~
JINGLE

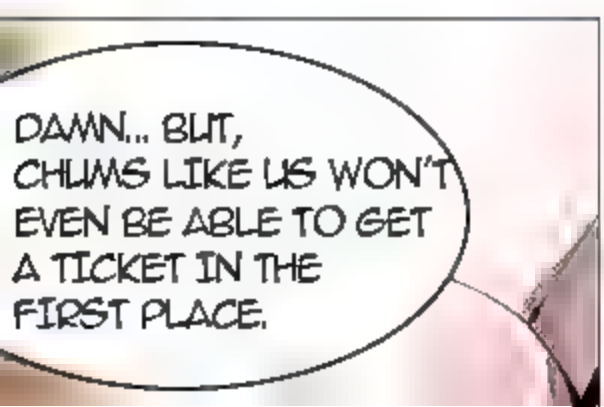
CHEW—
CHEW—

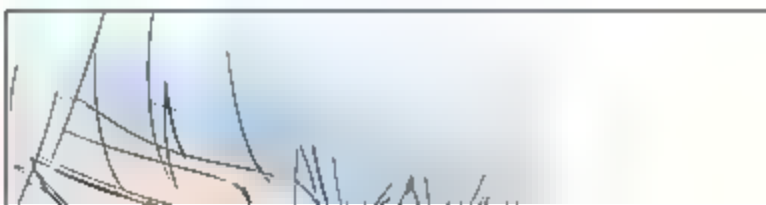

NOT BAD...

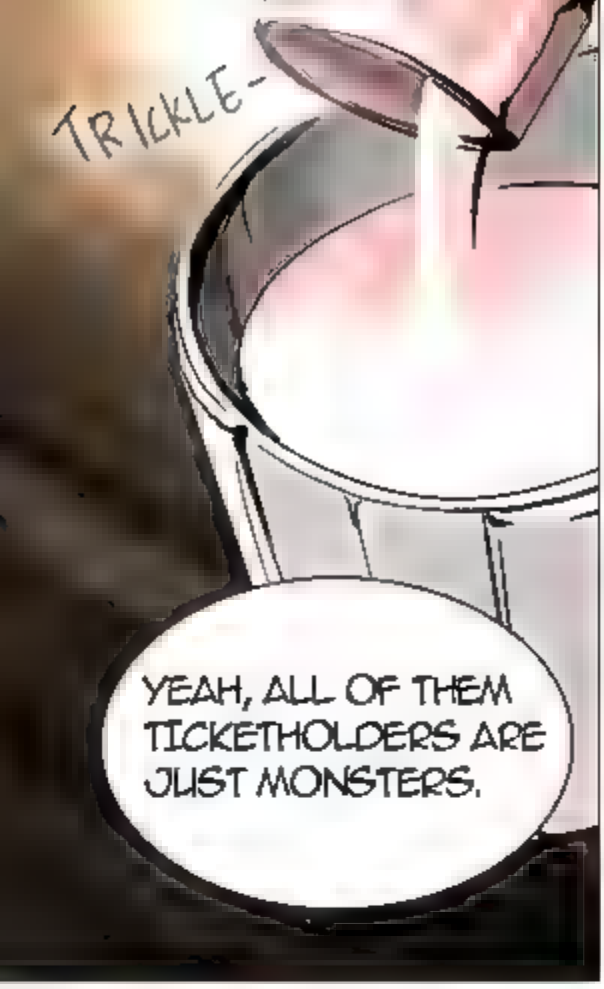
GOOD AFTERNOON~
SIZZLE

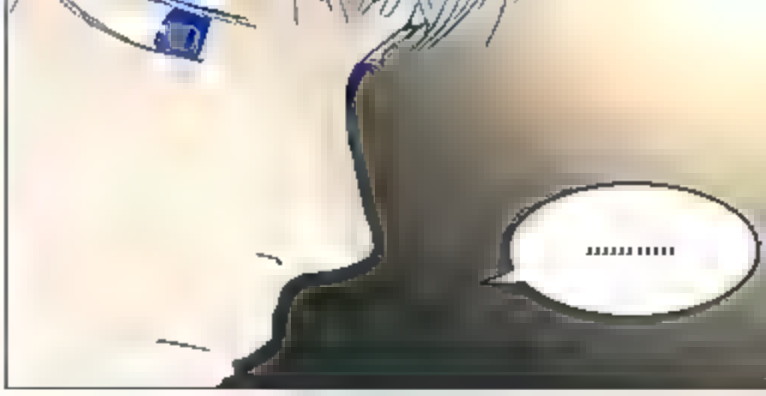
I GUESS SEAFOOD IS THE THING IN THIS REGION...
NOM-
IT'S DELICIOUS.
NOM-
HEY, DID YOU HEAR THE STORY ABOUT THE HELL TRAIN?
?
IT SUDDENLY TOOK OFF BEFORE THE REGS EVEN GOT ON BOARD.
I ALSO HEARD THAT YURA VANISHED.
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO THIS WORLD? THESE ARE SOME STRANGE HAPPENINGS WE HEAR.

THERE ARE ALSO RUMORS THAT...THEM FLIG PUNKS ARE ON THIS YEAR'S TRAIN.
WHAT?!
THE SOURCE OF THIS INFO IS "EMILY". AND EVERYONE WHO APPROACHED THE TRAIN FROM THE PLAT-FORM SEEM TO BE DEAD... I'M CERTAIN...


DAMN... BUT, CHUMS LIKE US WON'T EVEN BE ABLE TO GET A TICKET IN THE FIRST PLACE.




TRICKLE-
YEAH, ALL OF THEM TICKETHOLDERS ARE JUST MONSTERS.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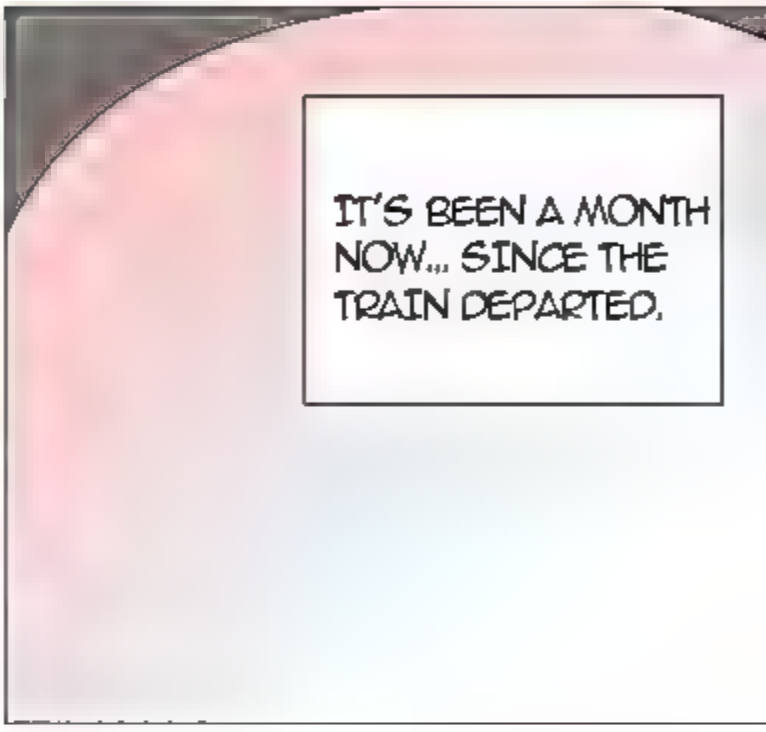

IT'S BEEN A MONTH NOW... SINCE THE TRAIN DEPARTED.

AFTER THE TICKET TOURNAMENT ENDED IN VAIN,
ALL THE REGULARS

THEY FOUND OUT THAT THE TRAIN LEFT.

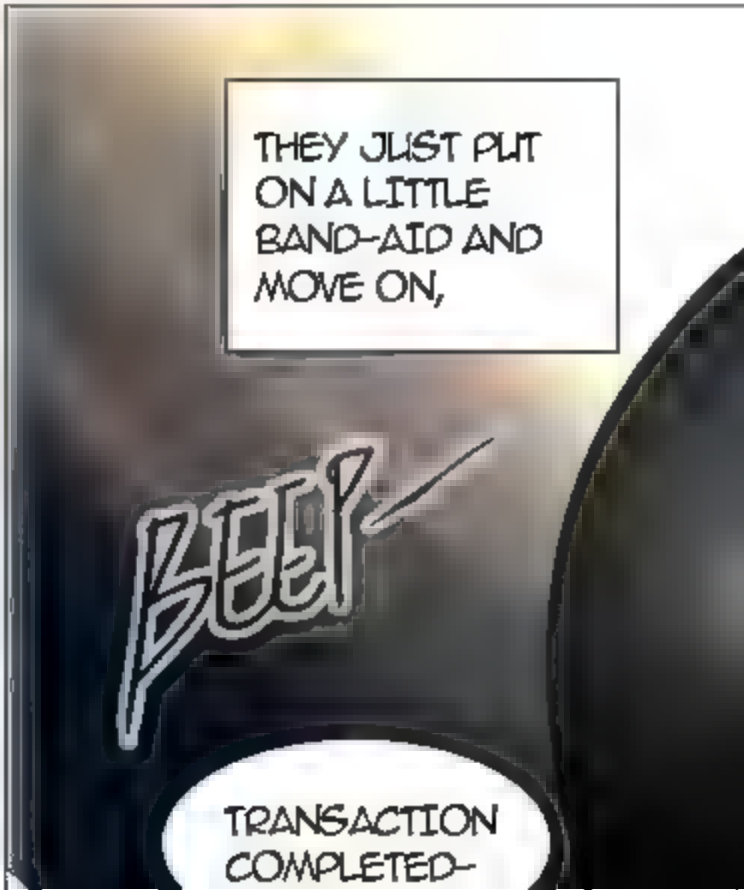
THEY LOOKED FOR THE MANAGER, BUT HE WAS NO LONGER IN TRAIN CITY.

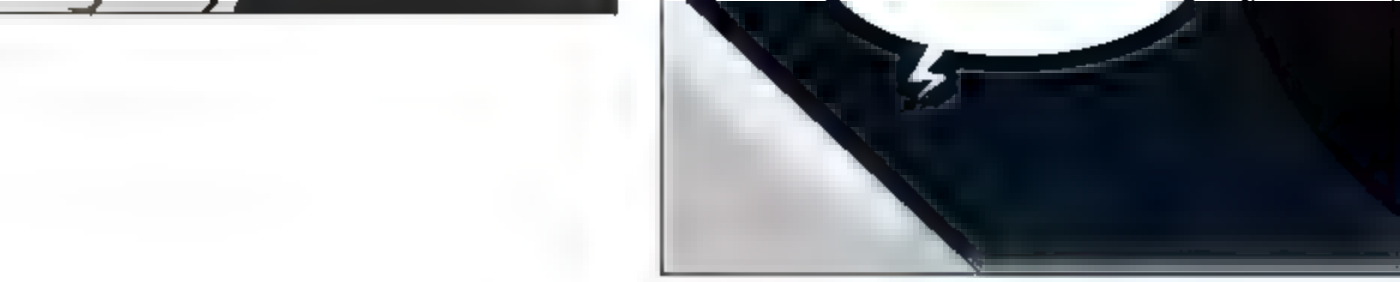
THIS ABSURD CASE OF TRAIN HIJACK SIMPLY GOT CONCLUDED AS "OPERATIONAL ERROR", AND IT SEEMS THAT NONE OF THOSE IN CHARGE ACTUALLY GOT CHARGED FOR THEIR IRRESPONSIBILITIES.

COME TO THINK OF IT...

THIS IS ONLY TO BE EXPECTED FROM THOSE IN HIGHER PLACES.

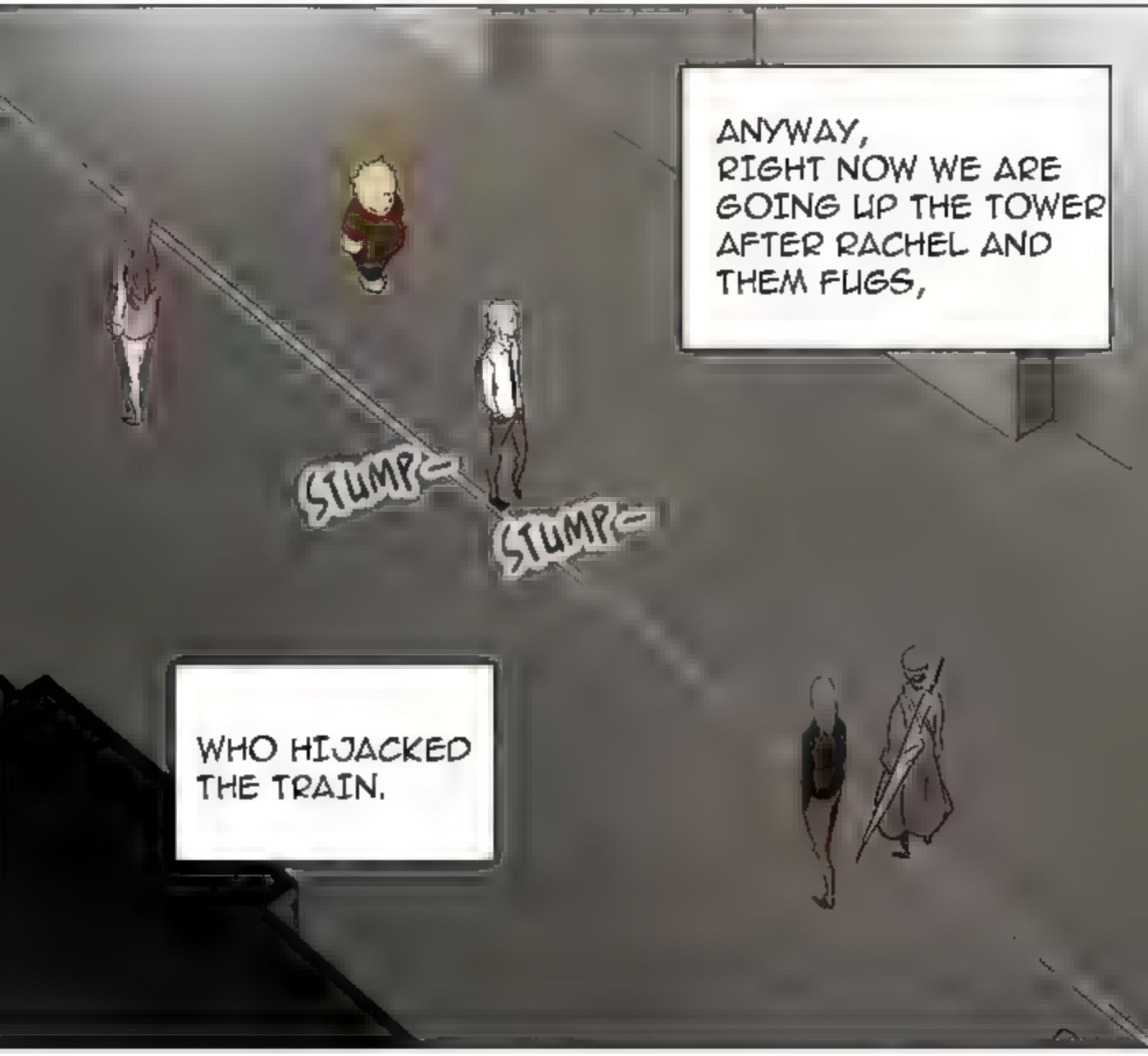
THEY JUST PUT ON A LITTLE BAND-AID AND MOVE ON,





THINKING THE WOUNDS WILL SIMPLY BE KEPT UNDER AND RECOVER ON ITS OWN.

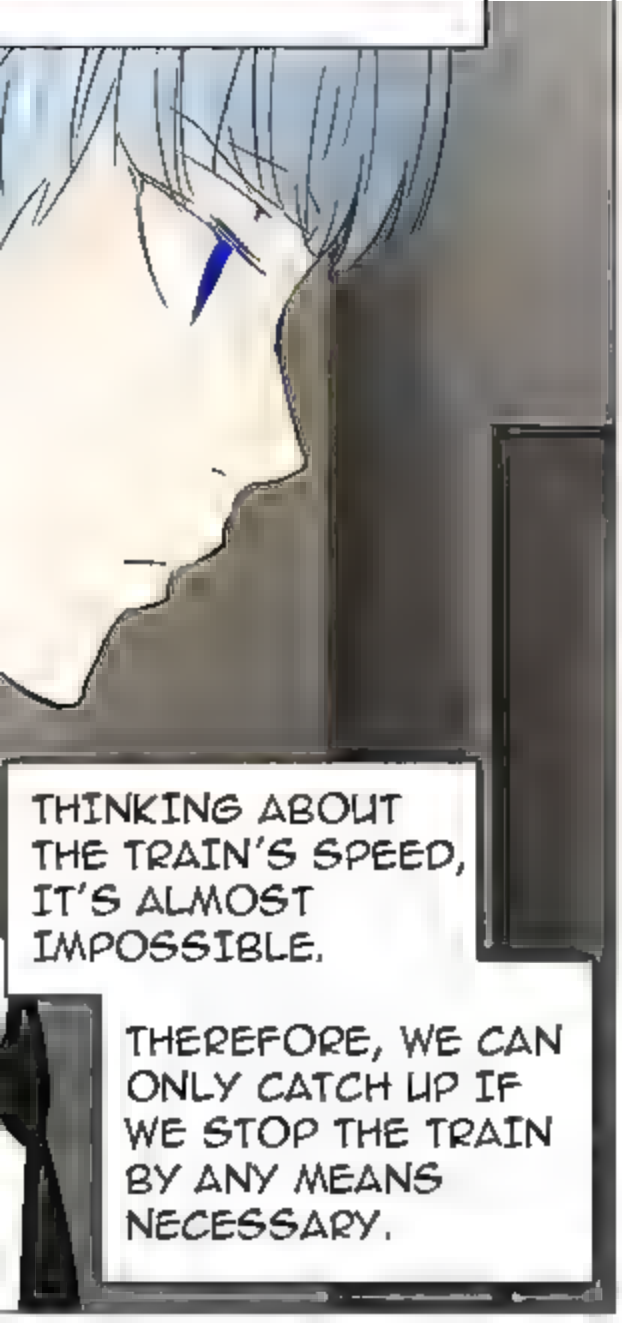
THEY NEVER THINK THAT IT CAN ACTUALLY FESTER INTO A FATALITIY INSTEAD.

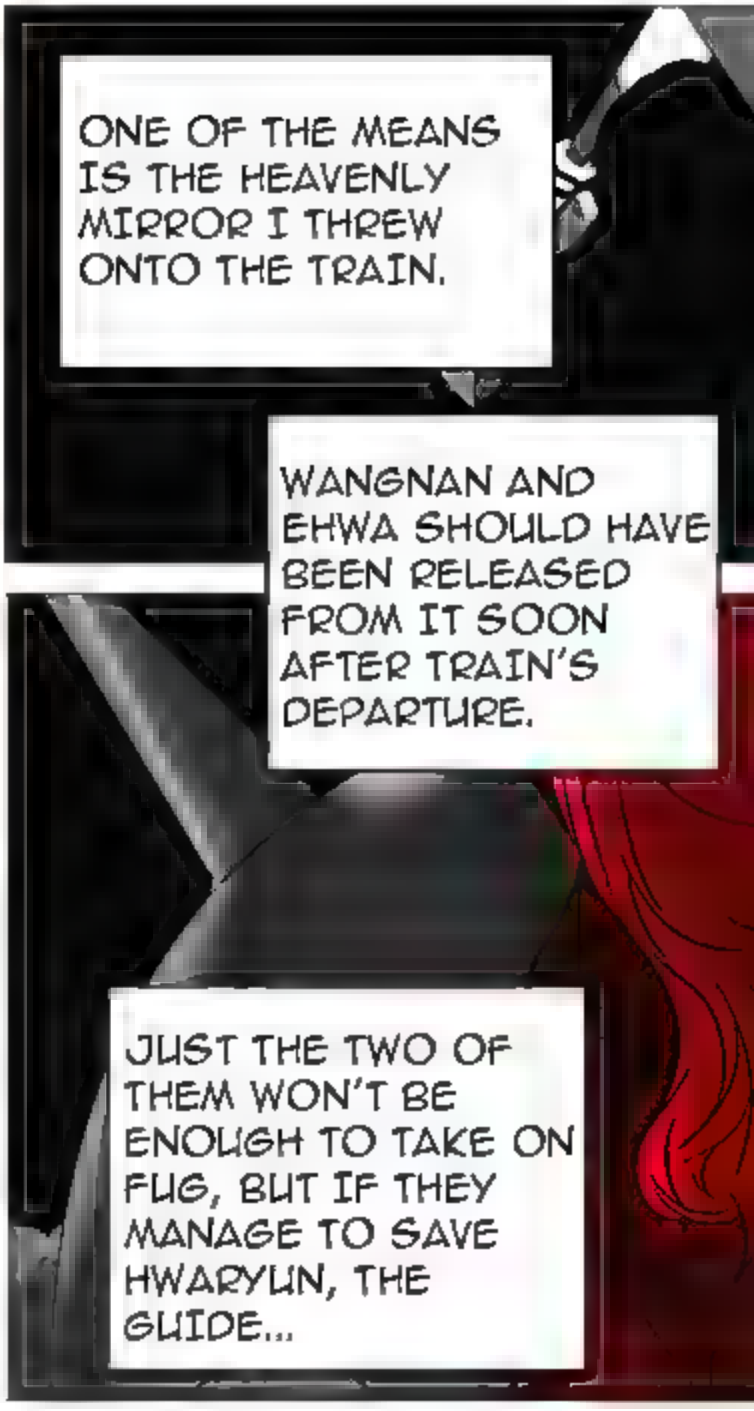

ANYWAY,
RIGHT NOW WE ARE GOING UP THE TOWER AFTER RACHEL AND THEM FUGS,
STUMP-
STUMP-
WHO HIJACKED THE TRAIN.

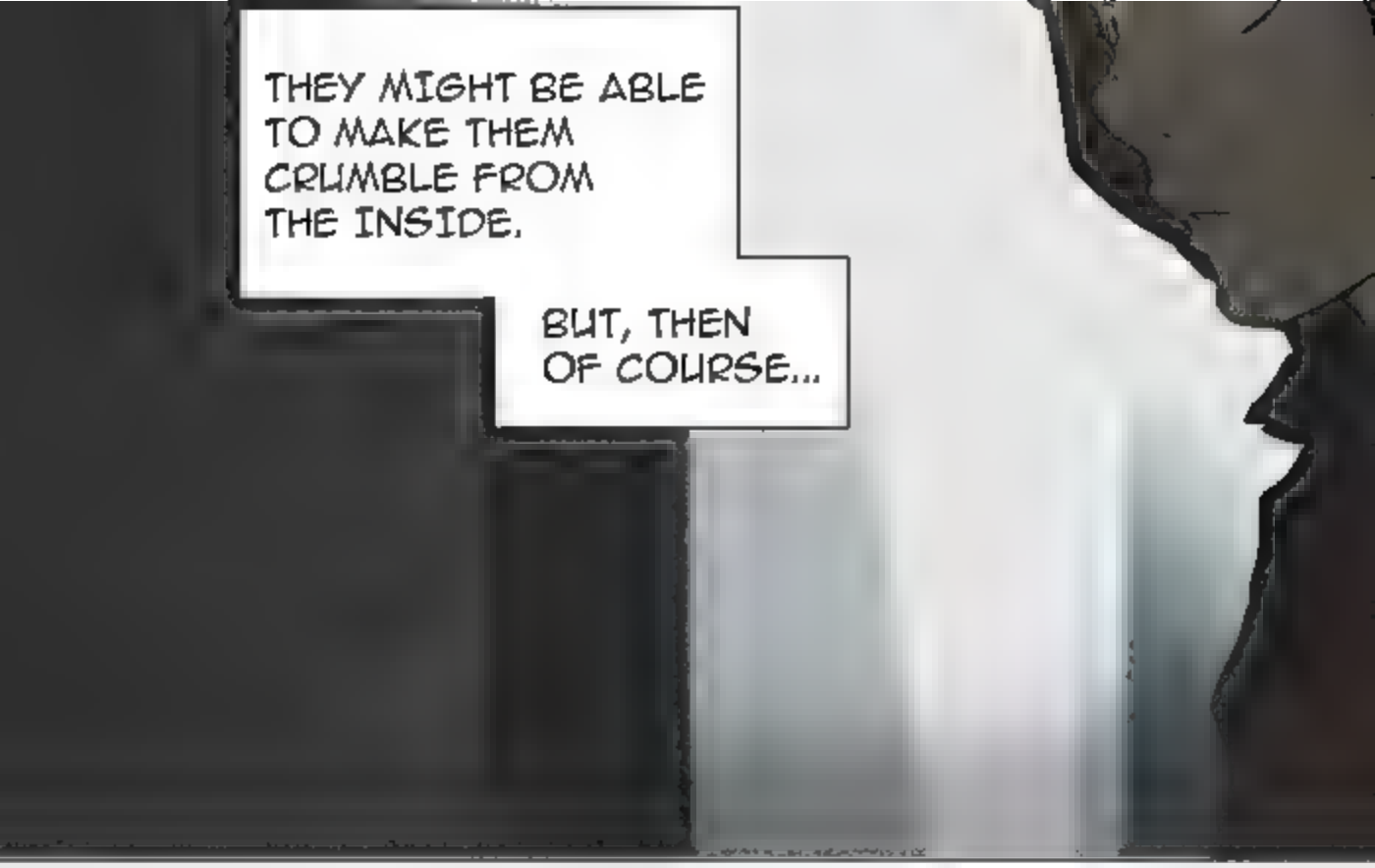
BUT SINCE

WE CAN GO UP ONLY WHEN WE PASS THE TESTS,
RAN'S TEAM AND OUR TEAM DECIDED TO SPLIT UP, AND GO UP THE TOWER.
AKA'S TEAM AND BORO, WHO HAD ALREADY PASSED THE TEST, WILL REJOIN US AT THE PLATFORM ON 37TH FLOOR AFTER THEY WRAP THINGS UP IN TRAIN CITY.

THE PROBLEM NOW, IS HOW WE CAN GO UP THE TOWER TO THE PLATFORM BEFORE THE TRAIN DOES...

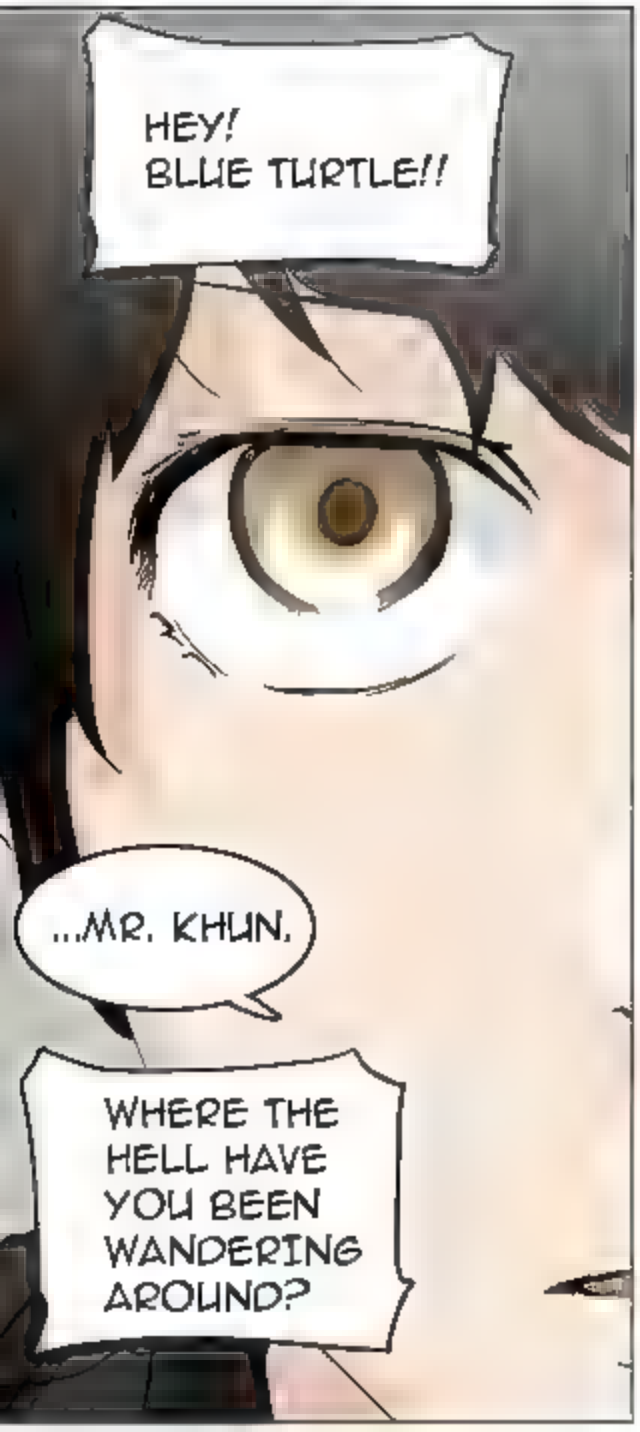

THINKING ABOUT THE TRAIN'S SPEED, IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE.
THEREFORE, WE CAN ONLY CATCH UP IF WE STOP THE TRAIN BY ANY MEANS NECESSARY.

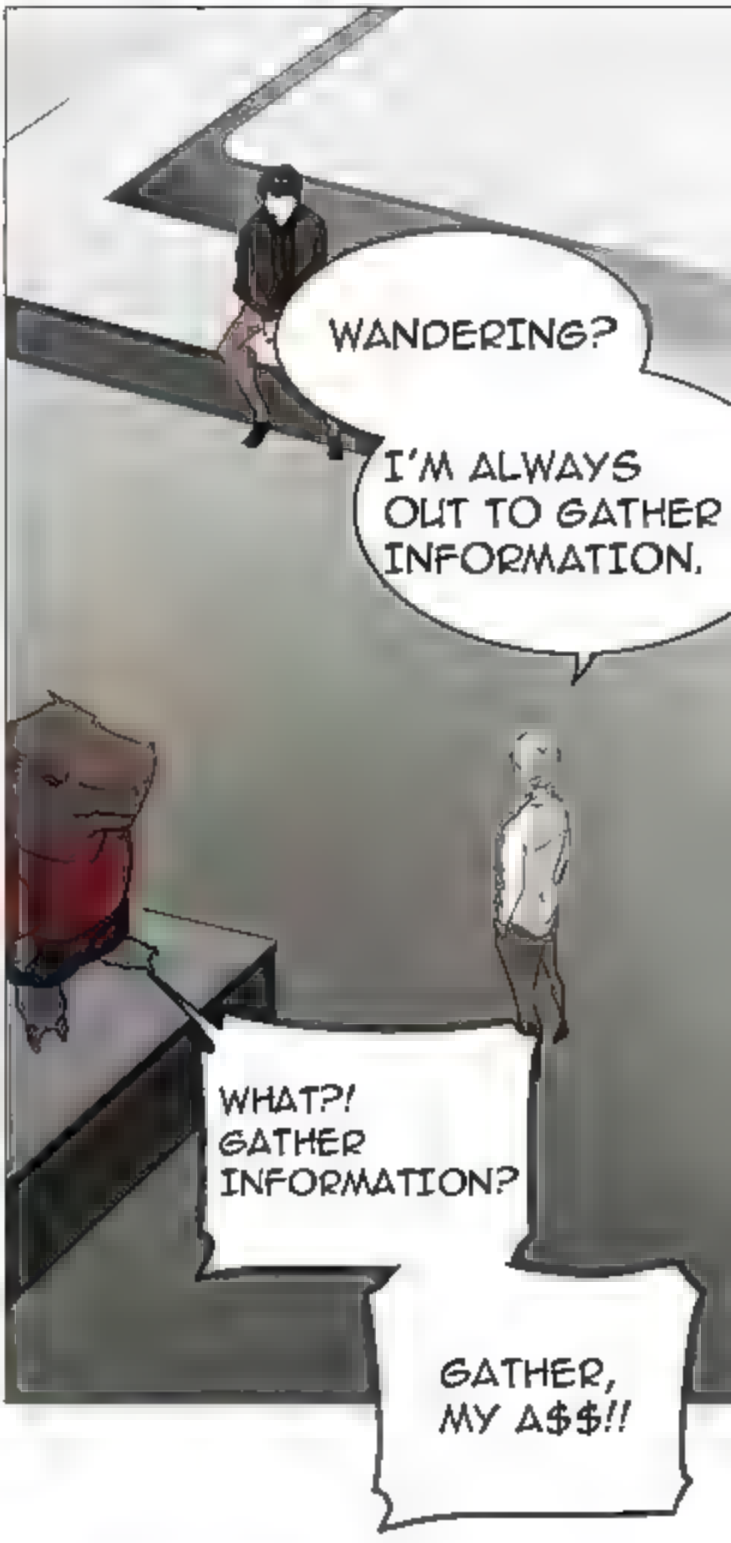

ONE OF THE MEANS IS THE HEAVENLY MIRROR I THREW ONTO THE TRAIN.
WANGNAN AND EHWA SHOULD HAVE BEEN RELEASED FROM IT SOON AFTER TRAIN'S DEPARTURE.
JUST THE TWO OF THEM WON'T BE ENOUGH TO TAKE ON FUG, BUT IF THEY MANAGE TO SAVE HWARYUN, THE GUIDE...


THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO MAKE THEM CRUMBLE FROM THE INSIDE.
BUT, THEN OF COURSE...

WE SHOULDN'T GET CRUMBLED INSIDE FIRST.
WHIR

!
STUMP

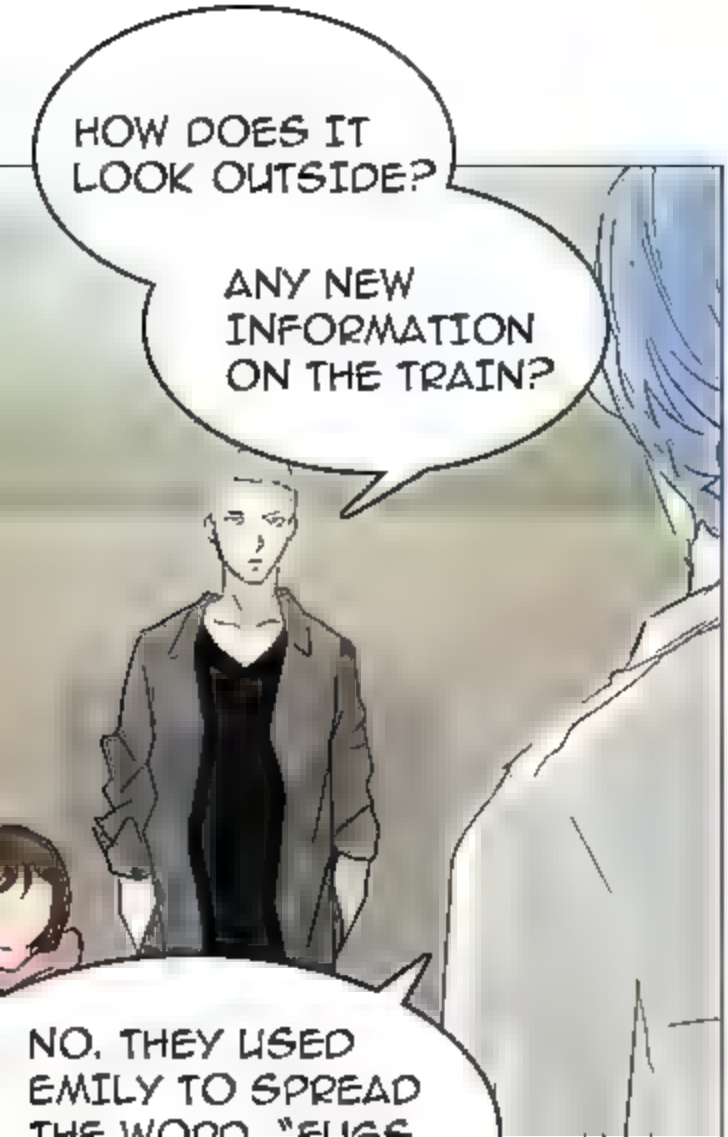

HEY!
BLUE TURTLE!!
...MR. KHUN.
WHERE THE HELL HAVE YOU BEEN WANDERING AROUND?


WANDERING?
I'M ALWAYS OUT TO GATHER INFORMATION.
WHAT?! GATHER INFORMATION?
GATHER, MY A$$!!

YOU PROLLY WENT TO FEAST ON SOME FINE CUISINE ALL BY YOURSELF.
YOU'VE BEEN DINING OUT ON YOUR OWN EVERYDAY LATELY!!
SHUT UP, YOU IDIOT.
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SPENT ALL OF YOUR ASSIGNED BUDGET ON SNACKS.
WELL, THAT'S...

BAM....
HOW ARE YOU FEELING? IS EVERYTHING ALRIGHT?
AH... YES, I'M FINE.
YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ME ANY MORE.

I SEE...
THAT'S A RELIEF.


HOW DOES IT LOOK OUTSIDE?
ANY NEW INFORMATION ON THE TRAIN?
NO. THEY USED EMILY TO SPREAD

HOW ABOUT WANGNAN AND EHWA ON THE TRAIN?
ANY NEWS FROM THEM?

THE WORD, "PLUS ON TRAIN",
AND MOST REGS SEEM SCARED TO EVEN GO NEAR THE PLATFORM.
I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING FROM THEM YET, AND THERE'S NO WAY FOR ME TO CONTACT THEM FROM OUR SIDE.
I'M ASSUMING THAT THERE IS SOME KIND OF DEVICE ON THE TRAIN THAT BLOCKS OFF OUTWARD RADIO SIGNALS.

IF MY CALCULATIONS ARE CORRECT, THEY SHOULD BE INSIDE THE TRAIN RIGHT NOW.
IF THEY MANAGE TO SAVE HWARYUN, THINGS COULD GO SMOOTHER THAN WE THINK.
SO, WE MUST MOVE AS FAST AS WE CAN TO CATCH UP TO THE TRAIN.

THEN AGAIN, I DO HOPE I COULD GET IN TOUCH WITH THEM IN SOME WAY BEFORE WE CATCH UP...
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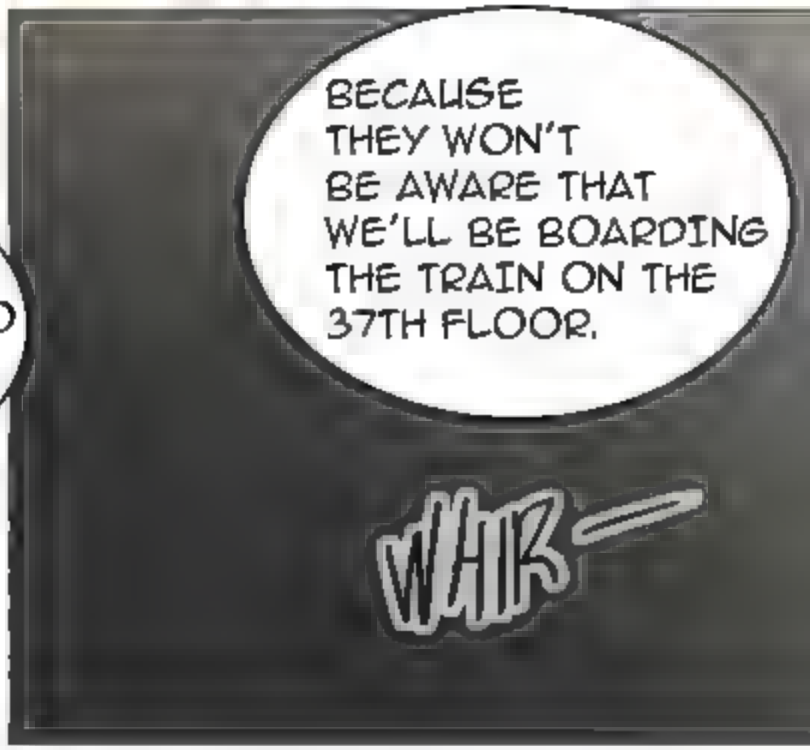
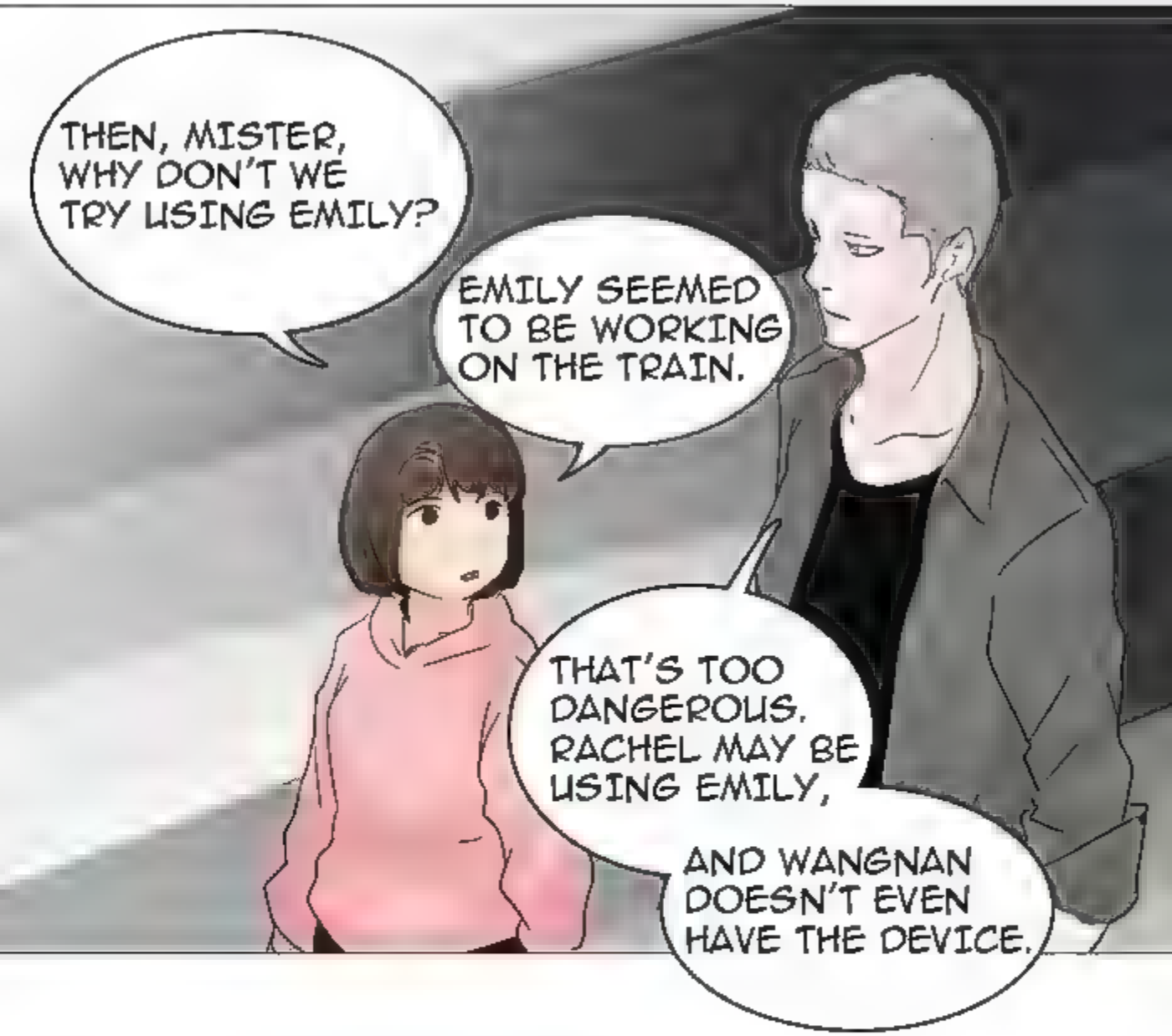
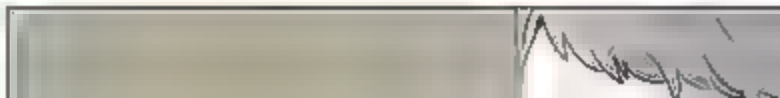
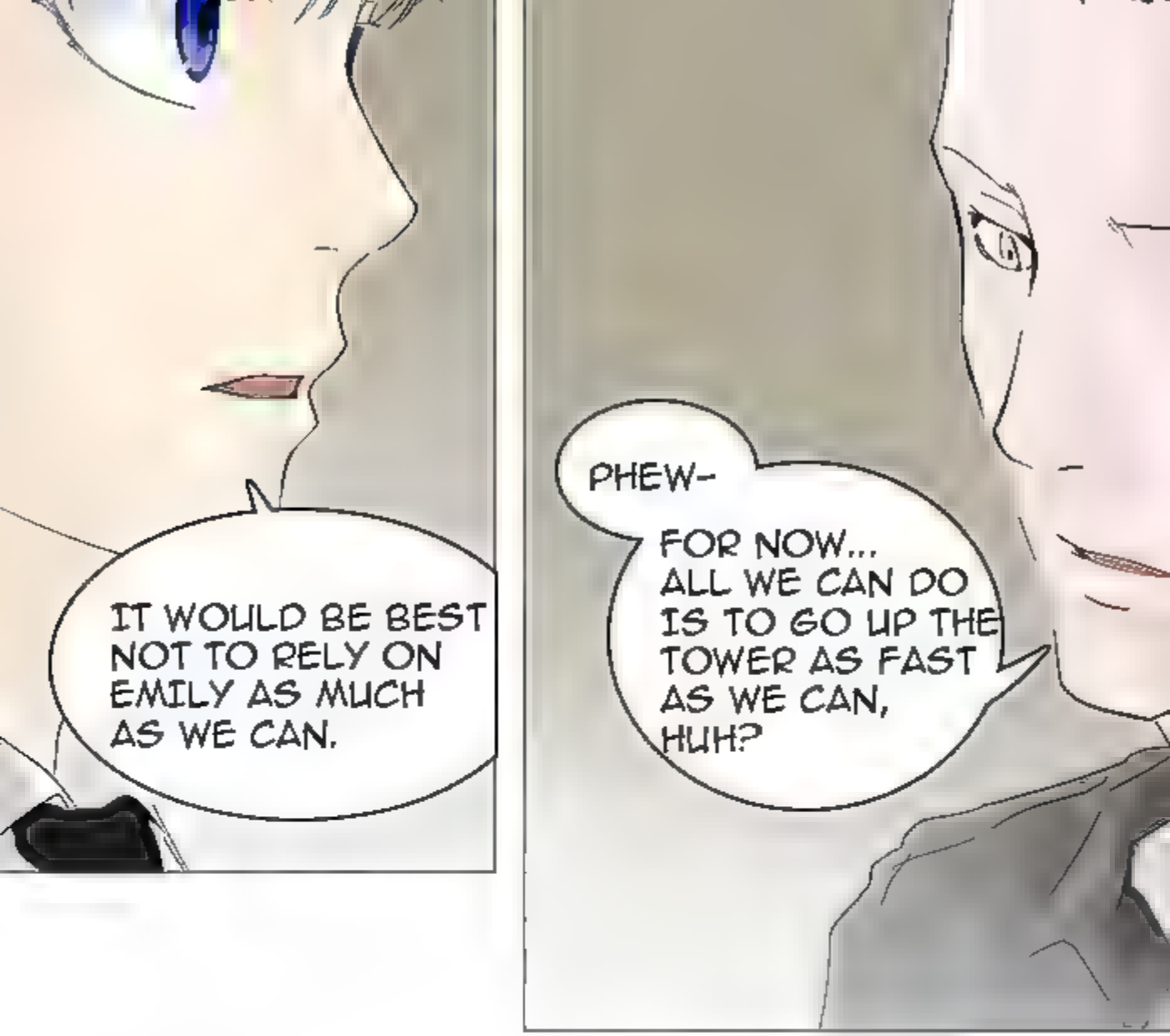
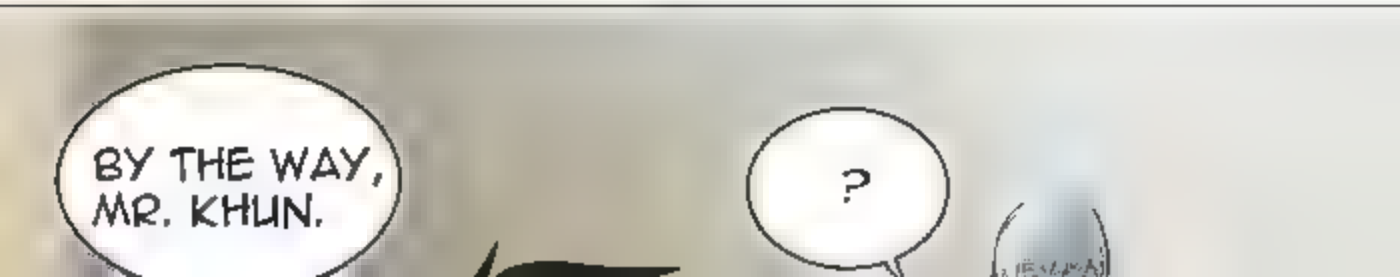

BECAUSE THEY WON'T BE AWARE THAT WE'LL BE BOARDING THE TRAIN ON THE 37TH FLOOR.
WHIR-


THEN, MISTER, WHY DON'T WE TRY USING EMILY?
EMILY SEEMED TO BE WORKING ON THE TRAIN.
THAT'S TOO DANGEROUS. RACHEL MAY BE USING EMILY,
AND WANGNAN DOESN'T EVEN HAVE THE DEVICE.

HE'S RIGHT. WE WERE ONCE FOOLED BY EMILY AT TRAIN CITY.




IT WOULD BE BEST NOT TO RELY ON EMILY AS MUCH AS WE CAN.
PHEW-
FOR NOW... ALL WE CAN DO IS TO GO UP THE TOWER AS FAST AS WE CAN, HUH?


BY THE WAY, MR. KHUN.
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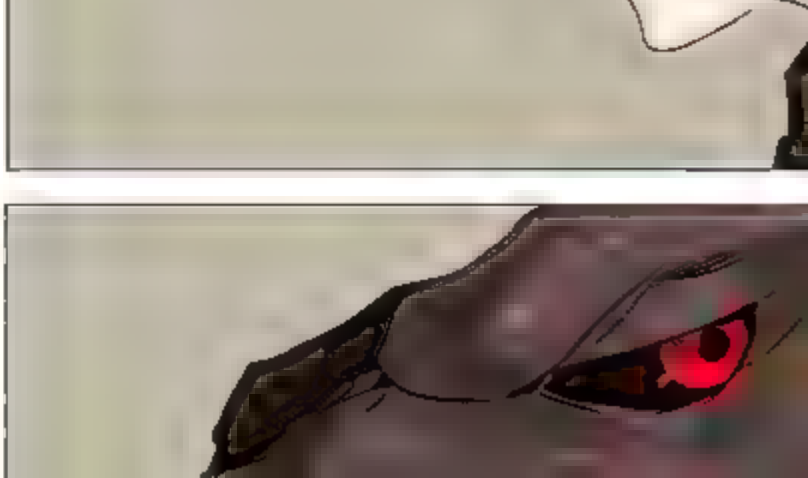
IS THERE A WAY TO GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE MAN CALLED "HOAQIN", WHO MR. BORO WAS TALKING ABOUT?
I NEVER HEARD OF HIM WHEN I WAS IN FUG...
...THEN DOES IT MEAN THAT HE'S EXTREMELY POWERFUL?
YES... PROBABLY

MOREOVER, IT BOTHERS ME THAT HE LEFT A PART OF HIM INSIDE THE TRAIN...
LET'S TALK ABOUT THAT WHEN WE MEET BORO LATER.
I COULDN'T FIND ANYTHING ABOUT HOAQIN THROUGH MY LIGHTHOUSE.
I HEARD THAT IT'S VERY RARE FOR SOMEONE TO BECOME A SLAYER NOMINEE WHEN THEY ARE A REGULAR...
SO, IF HE REALLY IS A SLAYER NOMINEE...
YOU MEAN, HE'S A TURTLE WHO HAD GONE MISSING?
YES. IF NOT, FUG MUST HAVE BEEN KEEPING HIM A SECRET ON PURPOSE.
EITHER WAY, THINGS WILL DEFINITELY BE BAD FOR US IF THAT GUY WAKES UP.

ALONG WITH US NOT KNOWING WHAT RACHEL IS TRYING TO DO BY USING HOAQIN...
BUT FIRST, WE'VE GOT TO CONCENTRATE ON CATCHING UP TO THE TRAIN.
THAT'S IT FOR TODAY'S MEETING-
WE WILL SOON ARRIVE TO THE TEST AREA, SO GRAB SOMETHING TO EAT.
I KNEW IT. YOU'VE BEEN FEEDING GOOD STUFF ALL TO YOUR SELFISH STOMACH!

WHAT?
YOU'RE NOT EATING WITH US AGAIN?
..WHAT'S WRONG WITH DINING ALONE?
THAT'S HOW YOU SHOULD HAVE YOUR MEAL.
WHAT!?
WHAT I AM SAYING IS, THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO FIT MY DINING SCHEDULE OR TASTE JUST TO DINE TOGETHER, YOU DUMB GATOR.
IF YOU GET WHAT I'M SAYING, GO FIND SOMETHING THAT SUITS YOUR TASTE,

AND ENJOY YOUR MEAL, GATOR.

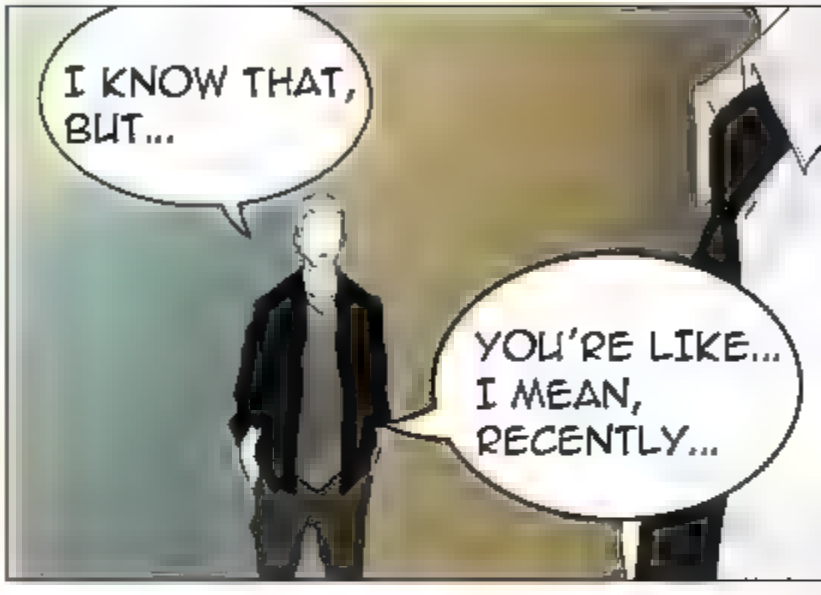


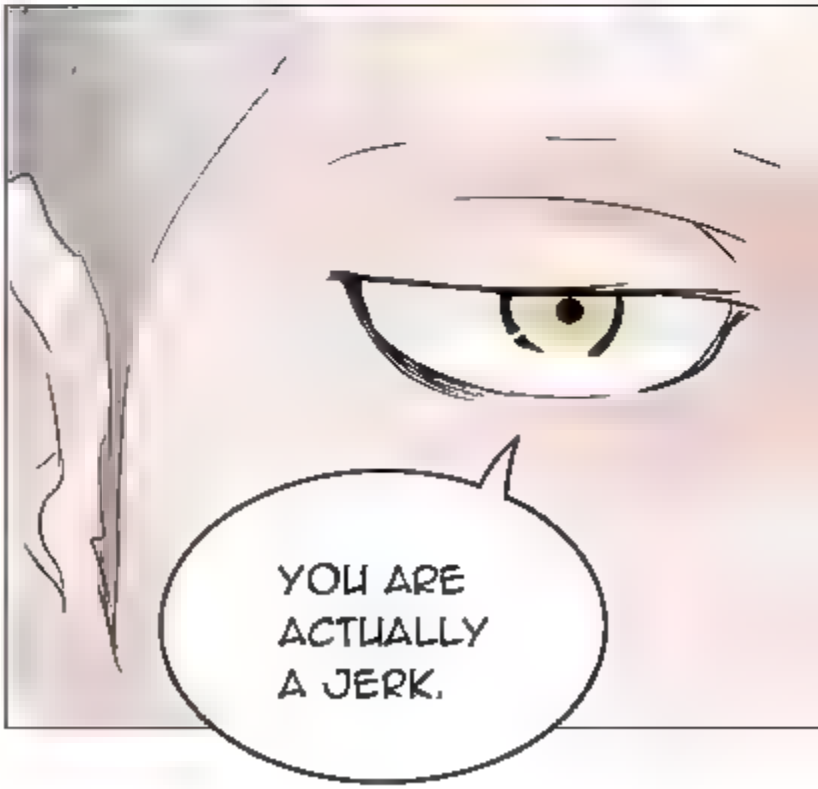
THAT BASTARD..
HE CALLED ME "GATOR" TWICE...
HMPH! FORGET IT!!! LET'S GO EAT FOR OURSELVES!!
TODAY'S MENU IS DELICIOUS EEL BOWL, UNAGI!!
STUMP
STUMP
MR. CROCODILE, THAT TASTES NASTY!

.....
WHIR
KHUN.
.....?
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
DIDN'T YOU GO WITH THEM?
WE'RE ARRIVING SOON. DON'T SKIP YOUR MEALS.
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?

...WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
YOU'RE ACTING STRANGELY.
THE WAY YOU TREAT YOUR TEAMMATES THESE DAYS.
ESPECIALLY TOWARD BAM AND CROCODILE...

...WHAT ABOUT IT?
YOU KNOW HOW I AM. I'VE ALWAYS BEEN A JERK.


I KNOW THAT, BUT...
YOU'RE LIKE... I MEAN, RECENTLY...


YOU ARE ACTUALLY A JERK.

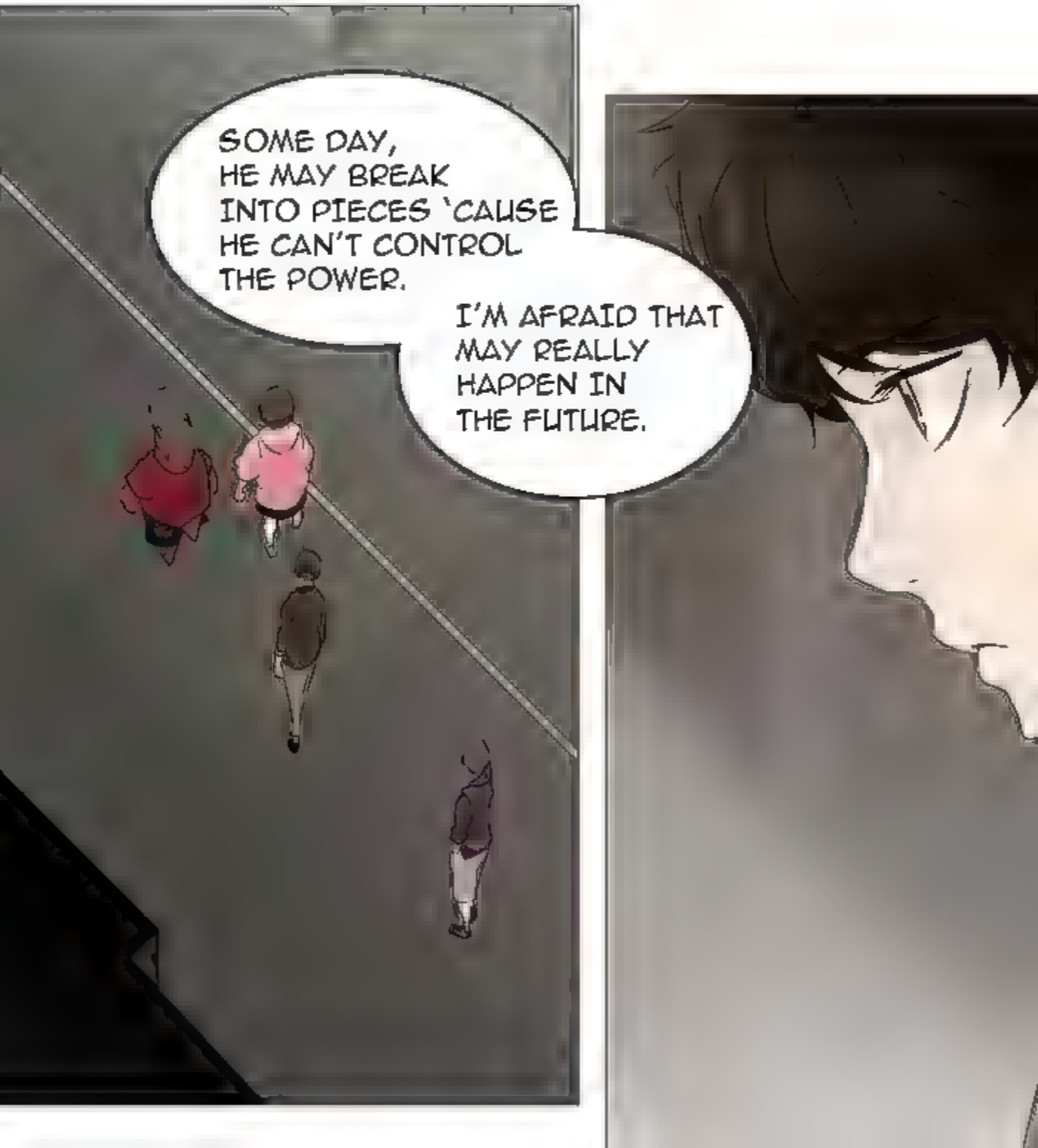
WHAT?
WAS I EVER KIND TO YOU BEFORE?
HEY, HEY...
DON'T TRY TO CHANGE THE SUBJECT.
YOU KNOW WHAT I'M SAYING. WHY ARE YOU ACTING LIKE THAT?

WHAT IS IT THAT BOTHERS YOU? SOMETHING BETWEEN YOU GUYS...

AND I'M ALSO AFRAID.
WHAT?
.....
YOU ALREADY KNOW, BAM NOW KNOWS THAT I TRIED TO KILL RACHEL. SO, I CAN'T HELP THE GROWN DISTANCE BETWEEN HIM AND ME...
YOU SAW IT, TOO, RIGHT?
THE THINGS BAM SHOWED AT TRAIN CITY.
AND THE DAUNTING POWER HE'S SHOWN DURING THE TEST WE TOOK JUST BEFORE COMING UP TO THIS FLOOR...
...YEAH... HE WAS UNBELIEVABLE.
BUT YOU'VE BEEN EXPECTING SUCH

POWER FROM THE GUY, HAVEN'T YOU?
EVER SINCE HE GAINED THE THORN...
RIGHT... BUT, THIS IS WAY TOO FAST.
AT THIS RATE... WE MAY NOT... BE ABLE TO CATCH UP TO HIS...

YOU MAY NOT KNOW, BUT HE USED TO BE ONE OF THE WEAKER ONES EVEN AMONGST THE REGS.
INCREDIBLY RAPID GROWTH...
AND I CAN'T JUST LET GO OF HIM LIKE THIS...
WHEN HE IS UNSTABLE.


SOME DAY, HE MAY BREAK INTO PIECES 'CAUSE HE CAN'T CONTROL THE POWER.
I'M AFRAID THAT MAY REALLY HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE.

THAT'S WHY WE MUST FIND SOMETHING THAT CAN STABILIZE HIS GROWTH...
BEFORE SOMETHING REALLY HAPPENS.

"SOMETHING" THAT CAN CONTROL THE POWER OF THORN-
CLENCH

LET'S GO! UNAGI!!
I TOLD YOU I DON'T LIKE THAT!

ACHE-

ACHE-

MY HEAD IS ACHING AGAIN...

I FEEL...

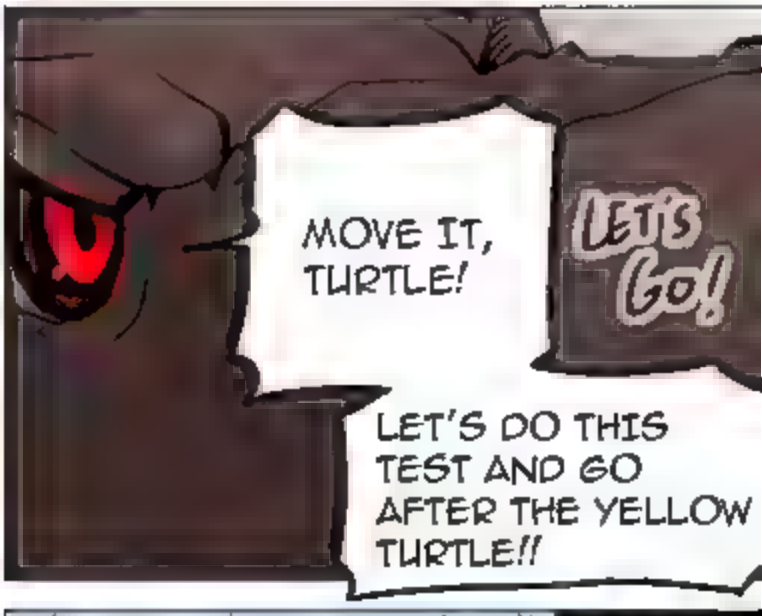
SOMETHING SHAKING INSIDE MY BODY.

SOMETHING HAS STARTED TO CHANGE.

EVER SINCE THE DAY WE GOT OUT OF TRAIN CITY...

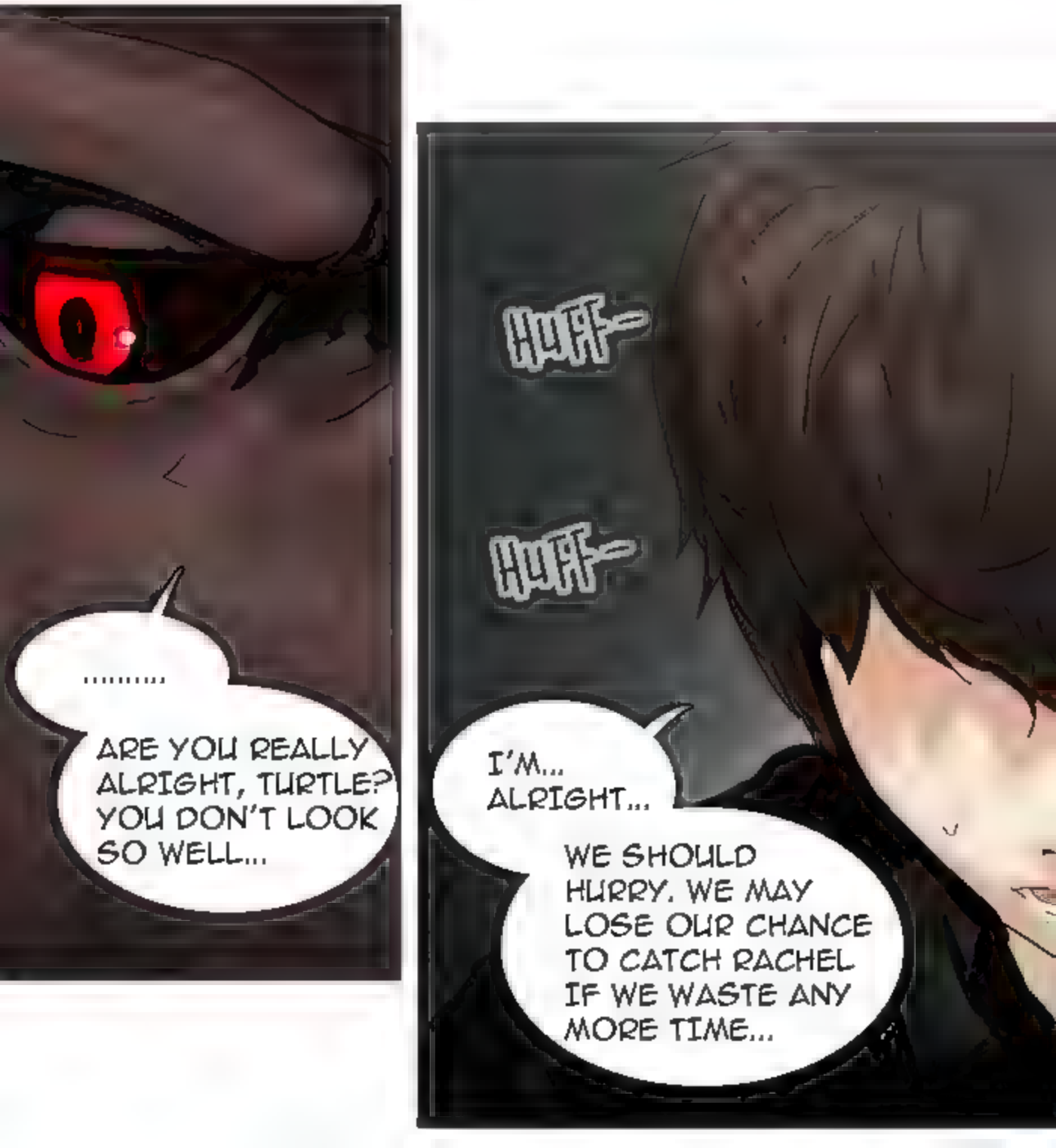
ABOUT A MONTH AGO,
ON 35TH FLOOR.
HUFF~
HUFF HUFF~
TEST ARENA INSIDE THE TOWER

HUFF-
HUFF-
PHEW-
THAT WAS CLOSE... WE BARELY MADE IT ON TIME FOR THE TEST...


MOVE IT, TURTLE!
LET'S GO!
LET'S DO THIS TEST AND GO AFTER THE YELLOW TURTLE!!

ALRIGHT, MAN...
GEEZ...THIS BASTARD IS ALWAYS FULLY CHARGED THAT

I WANT TO BREAK HIS NECK.
...ANYWAY, IT'S A RELIEF THAT WE GOT OUT OF TRAIN CITY IN TIME TO TAKE THE TEST...
AND WE ARE LUCKY THAT THERE IS A TEST WE CAN TAKE RIGHT AWAY...
WE'RE ALL WORN OUT 'CAUSE WE JUST GOT OUT OF TRAIN CITY, BUT LET'S MAKE THE BEST OUT OF THIS AND PASS THIS TEST.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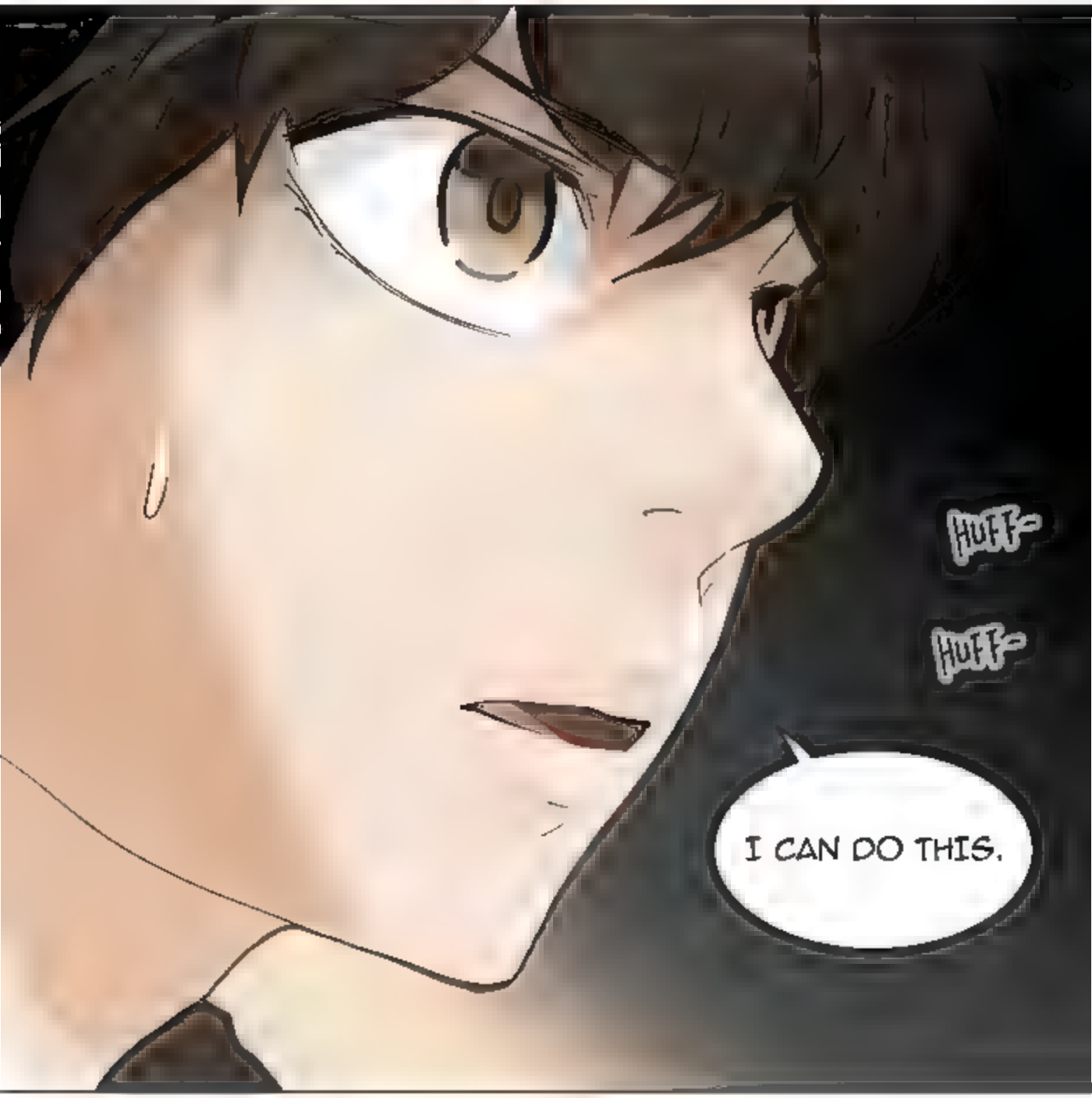
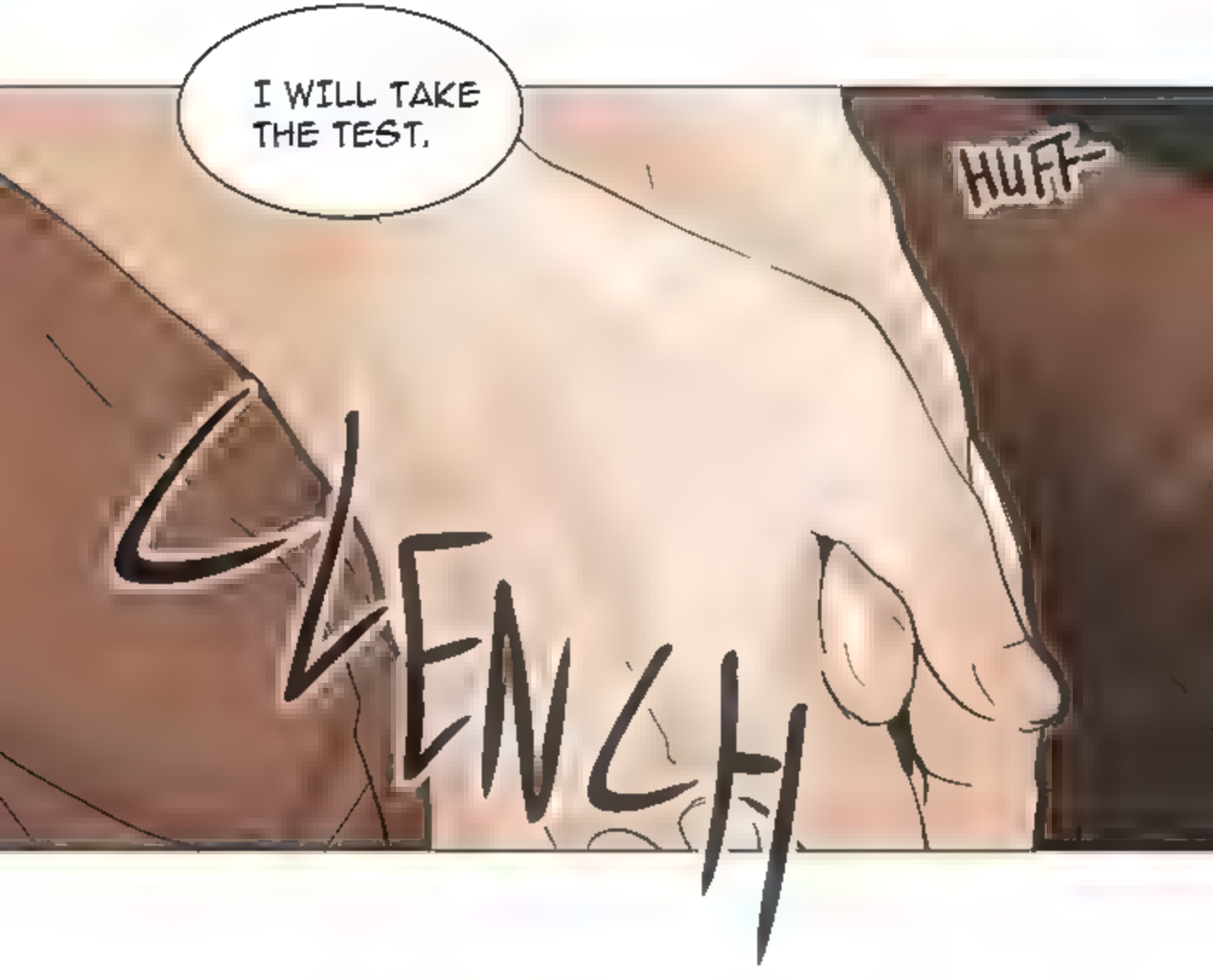
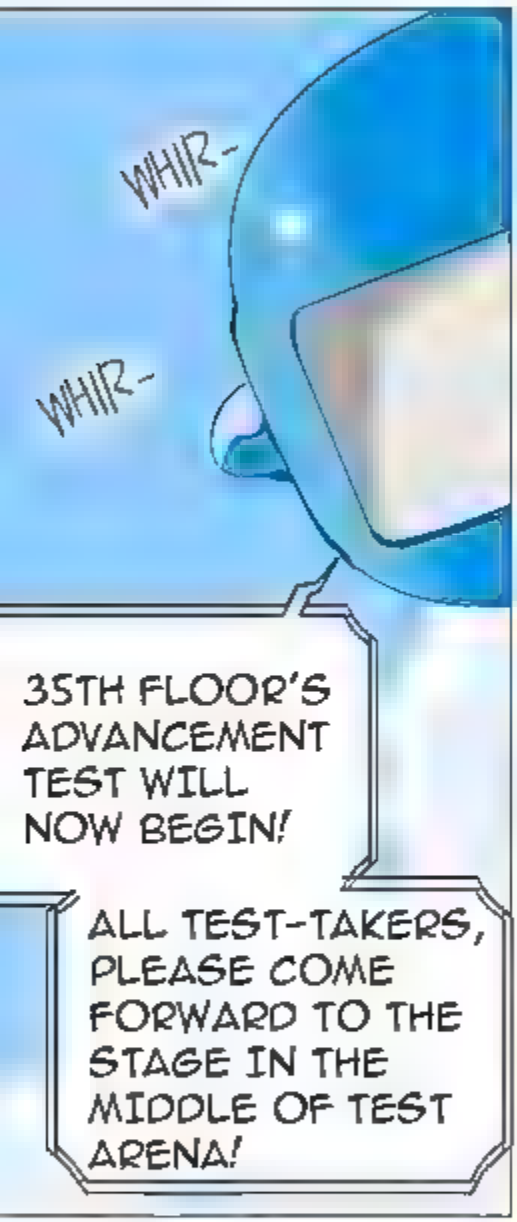
ARE YOU REALLY ALRIGHT, TURTLE? YOU DON'T LOOK SO WELL...
HUFF-
HUFF-
I'M... ALRIGHT...
WE SHOULD HURRY. WE MAY LOSE OUR CHANCE TO CATCH RACHEL IF WE WASTE ANY MORE TIME...


HUFF-
HUFF-
I CAN DO THIS.

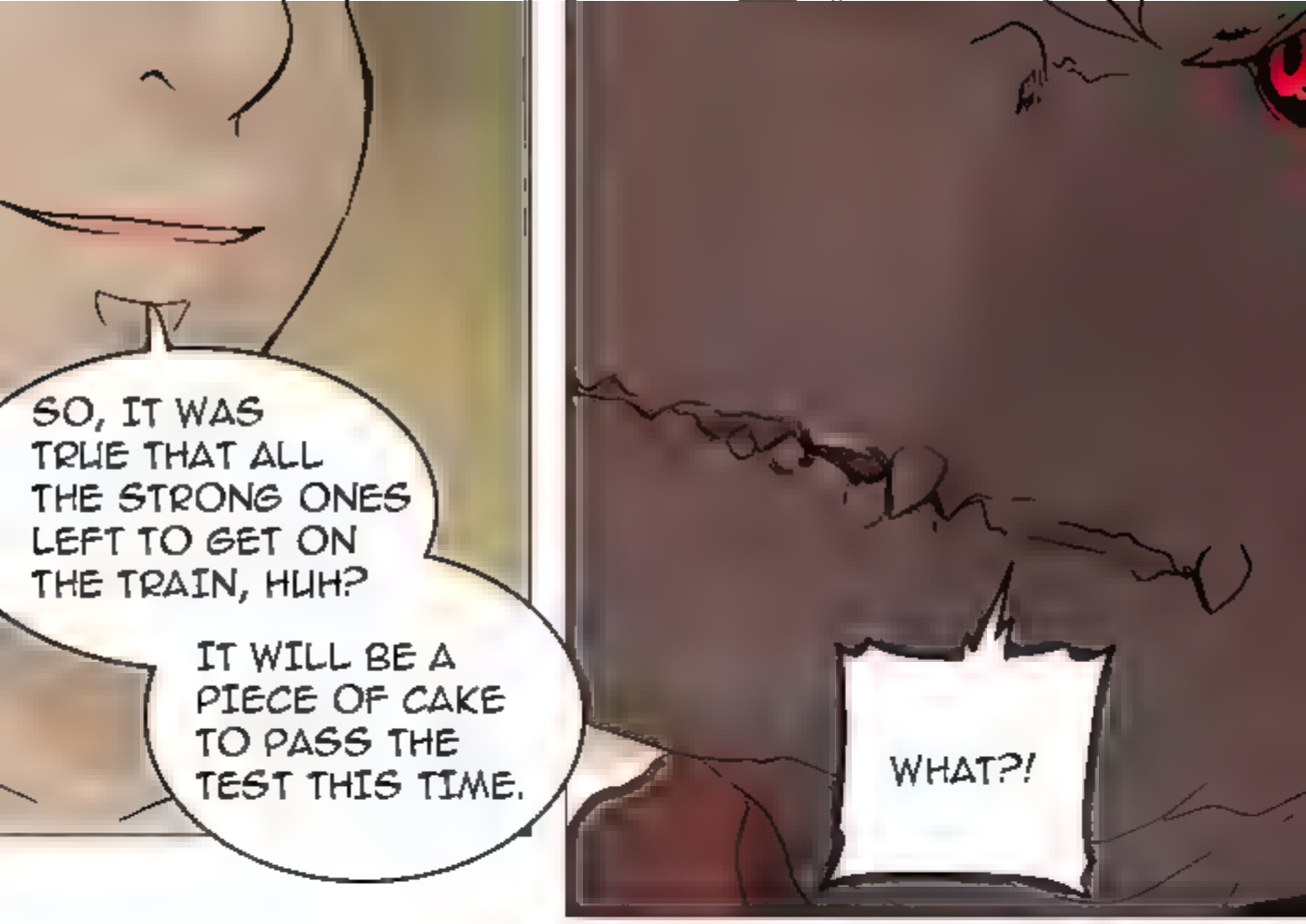

I WILL TAKE THE TEST.
HUFF
CLENCH


WHIR-
WHIR-
35TH FLOOR'S ADVANCEMENT TEST WILL NOW BEGIN!
ALL TEST-TAKERS, PLEASE COME FORWARD TO THE STAGE IN THE MIDDLE OF TEST ARENA!

I REPEAT-
35TH FLOOR'S ADVANCEMENT TEST WILL NOW BEGIN!

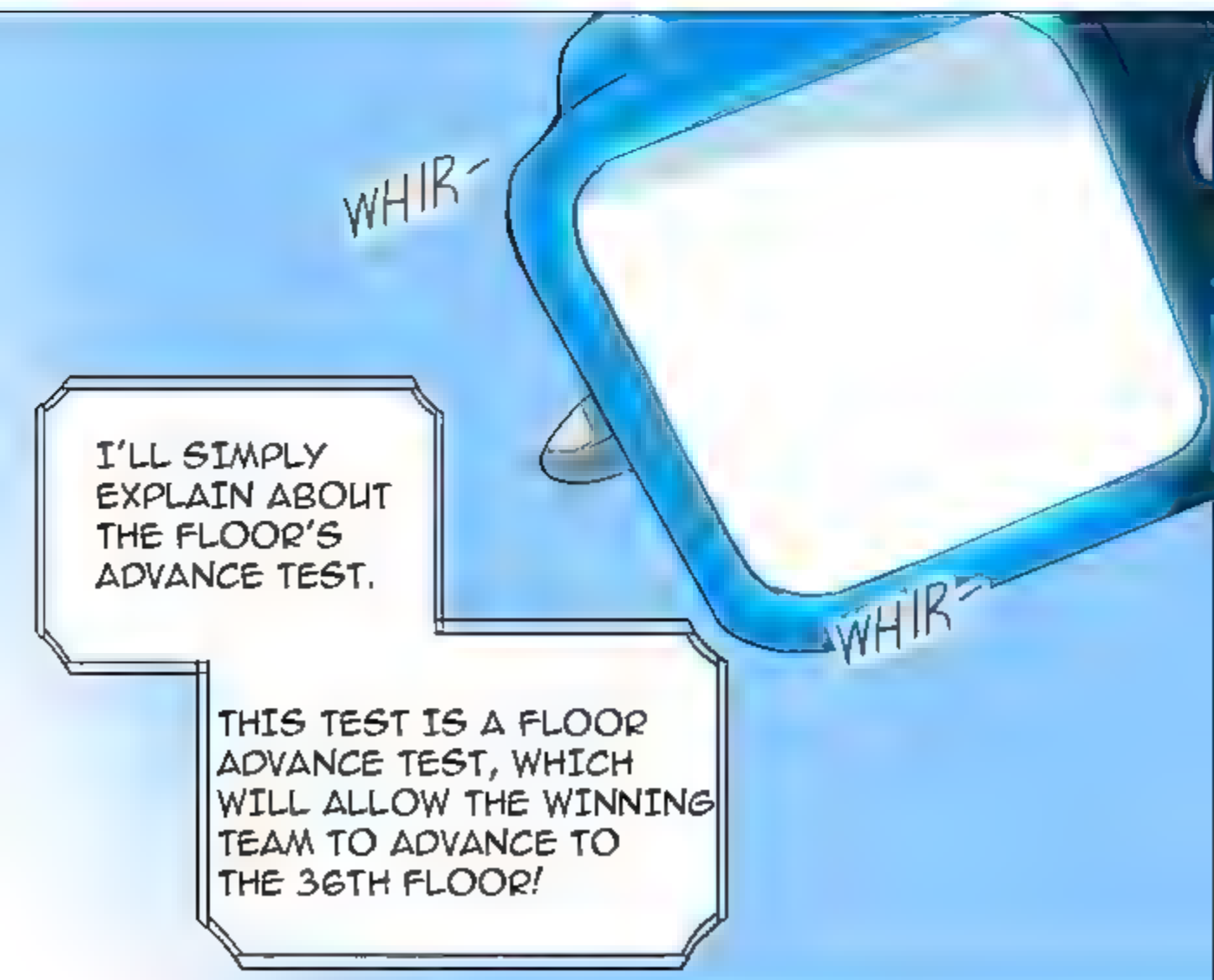
ALL PARTICIPANTS, PLEASE COME FORWARD TO THE STAGE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TEST ARENA!
STUMP-
STUMP-

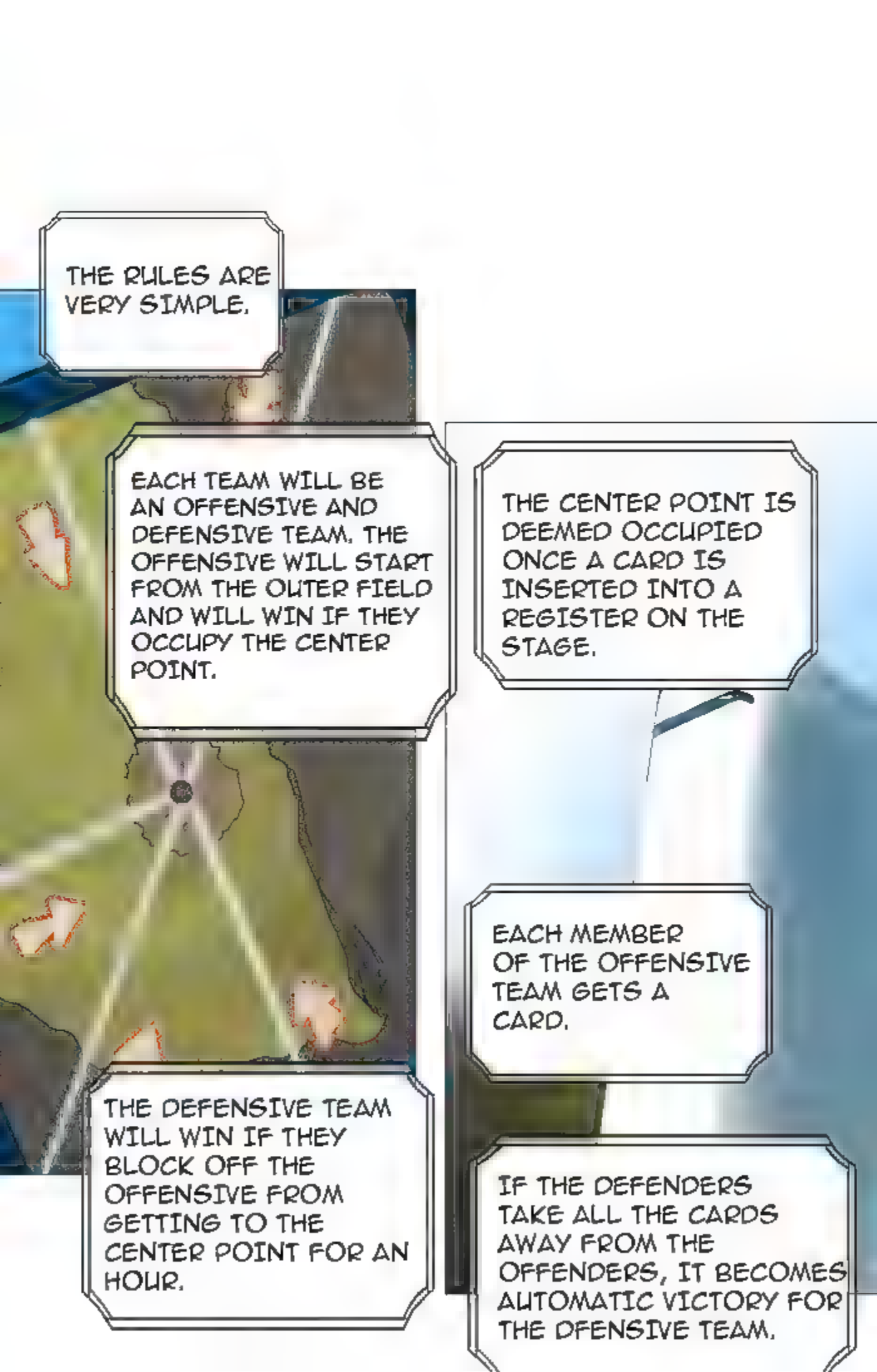
D-CLASS REGULAR
HAHA, WHAT IS THIS? A KINDERGAR -TEN PARTY?
FISHERMAN
BEL BERHINO
A PARTICIPANT WHO'S BEEN TRYING THE TEST ON 35TH FLOOR FOR DOZENS OF YEARS. HE BELIEVES THAT NOW IS HIS CHANCE SINCE THE STRONG REGULARS ALL TOOK OFF ON THE TRAIN.
DON'T YOU THINK SO, YOU CUTE GATOR?

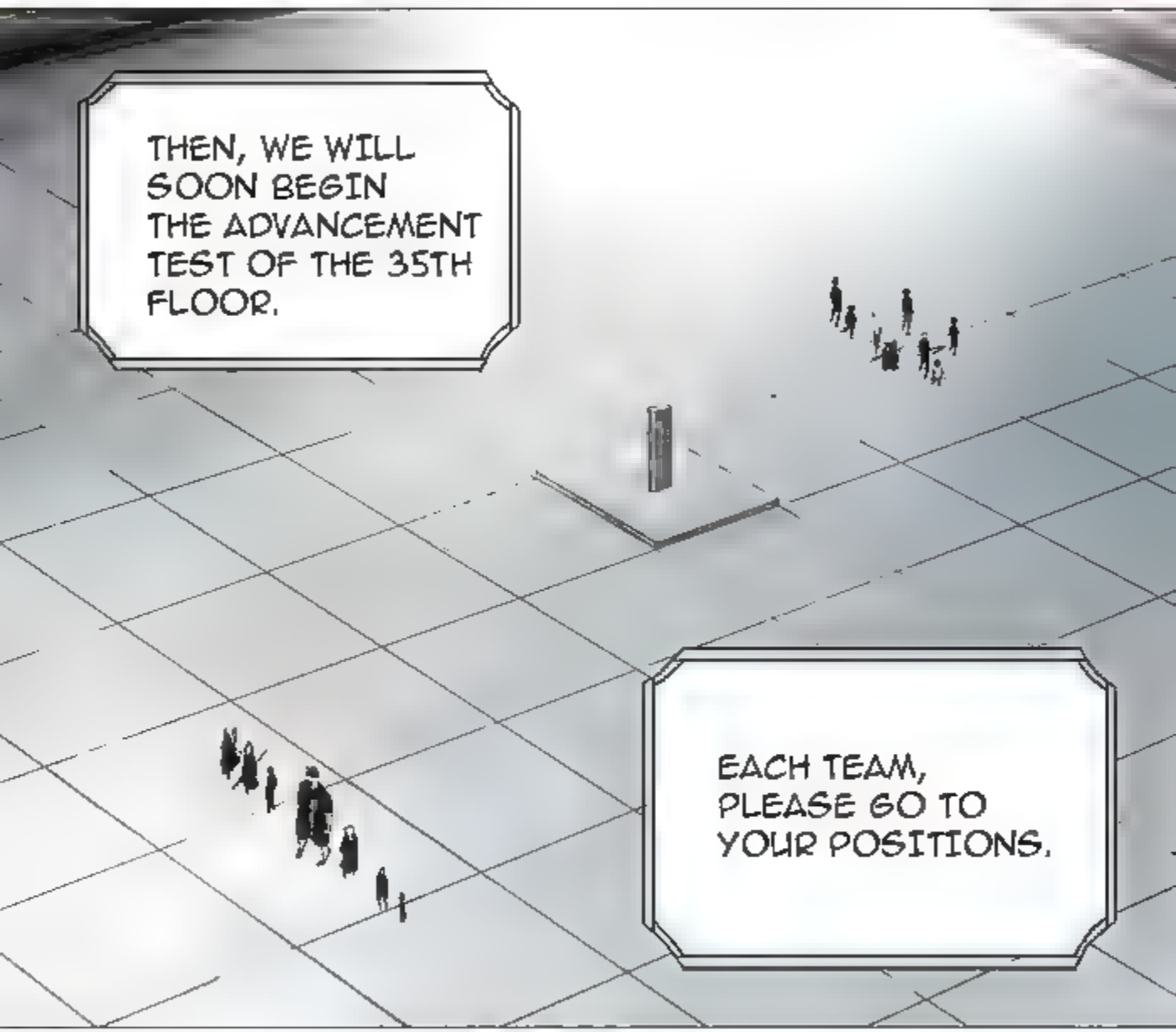

SO, IT WAS TRUE THAT ALL THE STRONG ONES LEFT TO GET ON THE TRAIN, HUH?
IT WILL BE A PIECE OF CAKE TO PASS THE TEST THIS TIME.
WHAT?!

I'M NOT A GATOR! I'M RAK WRAITHRAISER!! YOU COCKY TURTLE!!
K-HAHA, THIS IS ONE CUTE GATOR!

WHEN WILL HE ACCEPT THAT HE IS A CROCODILLIAN?


WHIR-
WHIR-
I'LL SIMPLY EXPLAIN ABOUT THE FLOOR'S ADVANCE TEST.
THIS TEST IS A FLOOR ADVANCE TEST, WHICH WILL ALLOW THE WINNING TEAM TO ADVANCE TO THE 36TH FLOOR!


THE RULES ARE VERY SIMPLE.
EACH TEAM WILL BE AN OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE TEAM. THE OFFENSIVE WILL START FROM THE OUTER FIELD AND WILL WIN IF THEY OCCUPY THE CENTER POINT.
THE CENTER POINT IS DEEMED OCCUPIED ONCE A CARD IS INSERTED INTO A REGISTER ON THE STAGE.
EACH MEMBER OF THE OFFENSIVE TEAM GETS A CARD.
THE DEFENSIVE TEAM WILL WIN IF THEY BLOCK OFF THE OFFENSIVE FROM GETTING TO THE CENTER POINT FOR AN HOUR.
IF THE DEFENDERS TAKE ALL THE CARDS AWAY FROM THE OFFENDERS, IT BECOMES AUTOMATIC VICTORY FOR THE DFENSIVE TEAM.



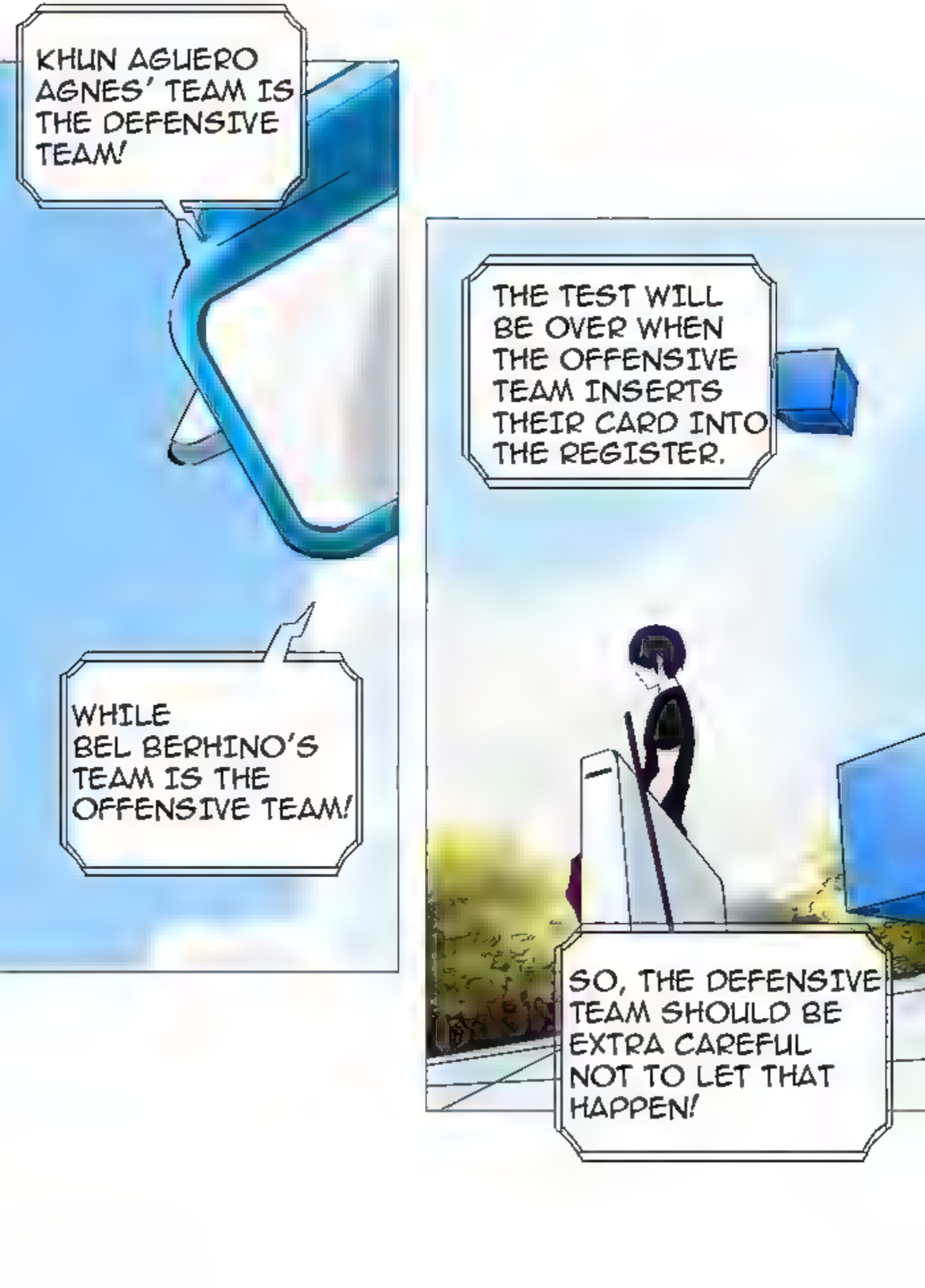
HMM... SO, WE'RE DEFENDERS HUH...?

WE GOT THE BORING PART.
I LIKE THE OFFENSIVE SIDE. YOU KNOW, GET ALL AGGRESSIVE!
KHUN, WE'RE ALMOST READY.
I'M READY!
OKAY- EVERYONE IS READY.
TAKA-
TAP-
ALL REGULARS ARE SET IN THEIR POSITIONS.
NOW-
HEHE.

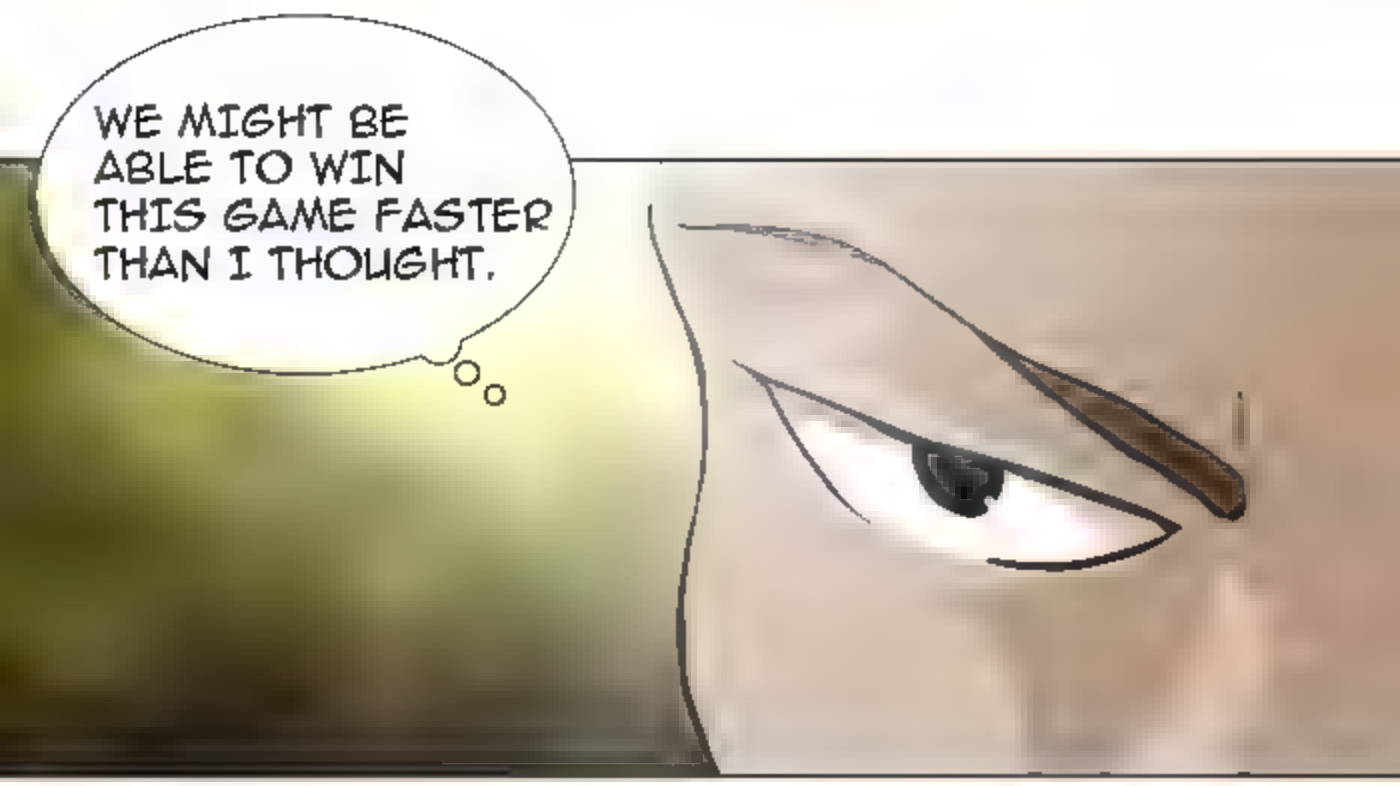
WHO SHALL I PLAY WITH FIRST? MAYBE THE CUTE GATOR.
THE FLOOR ADVANCEMENT TEST BEGINS-!
THAT COCKY TURTLE...I'LL PAWN YOUR ASS.

LINE Webtoon

ALL THE REGULARS ARE IN THEIR POSITIONS-!
THE ADVANCEMENT TEST OF THE 35TH FLOOR WILL BEGIN NOW!


KHUN AGUERO AGNES' TEAM IS THE DEFENSIVE TEAM!
WHILE BEL BERHINO'S TEAM IS THE OFFENSIVE TEAM!
THE TEST WILL BE OVER WHEN THE OFFENSIVE TEAM INSERTS THEIR CARD INTO THE REGISTER.
SO, THE DEFENSIVE TEAM SHOULD BE EXTRA CAREFUL NOT TO LET THAT HAPPEN!

NOW, LET THE TEST BEGIN!
GIGGLE WHAT A GAME... BEING ON THE OFFENSIVE TEAM IN THIS CONDITION...
THIS IS GOING TO BE WAY TOO EASY.


WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO WIN THIS GAME FASTER THAN I THOUGHT.

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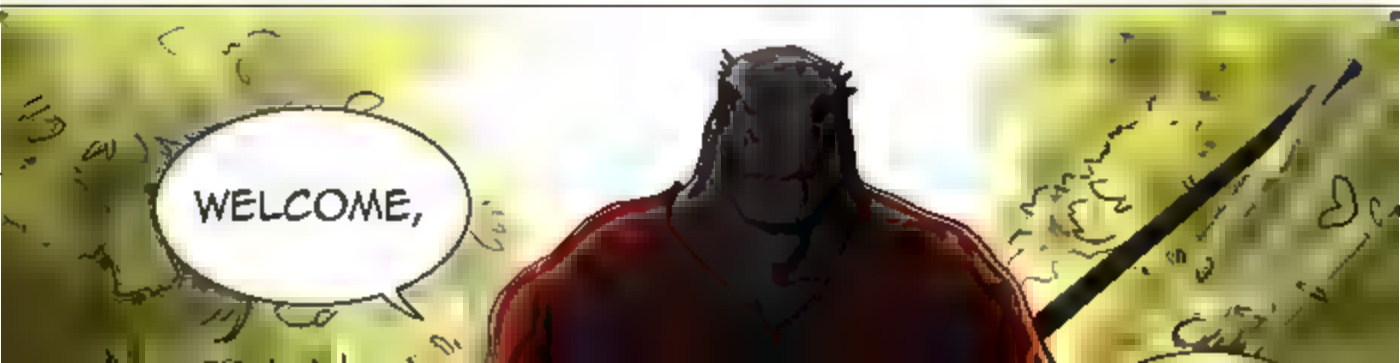
HEY, CROCODILE, DON'T FORGET THAT WE'RE THE DEFENSIVE TEAM.
SO, TRY TO KEEP QUIET AND HOLD YOUR POSITION.
HMPH.
I KNOW WHAT I'M DOING, BLUE TURTLE.

STUMP
STUMP
HUH? LOOK WHO'S HERE?
IS THAT A CROCODILE?
?

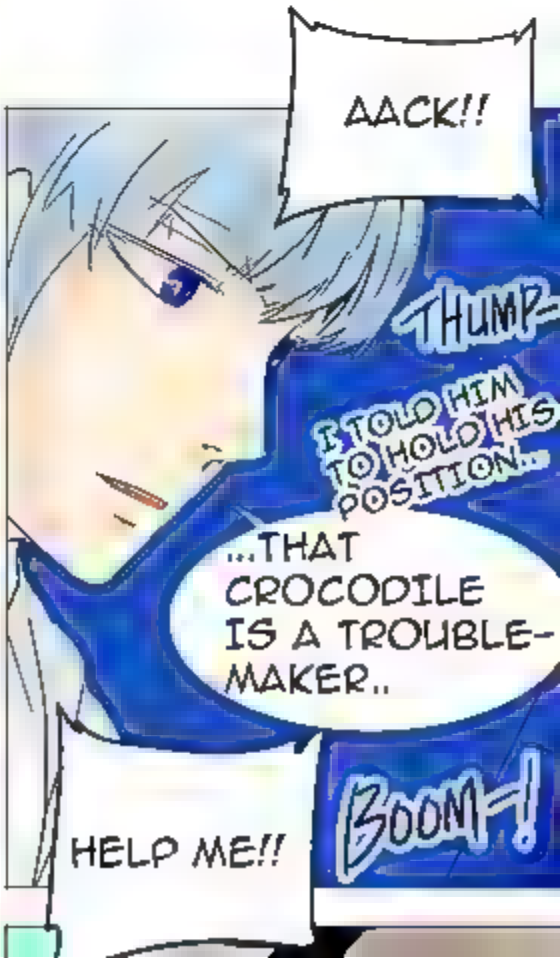
WELL, WELL. MORASEUNG.
CHEW
CHEW
WE'RE DAMN LUCKY.
IT SEEMS ALL WE NEED TO DEAL WITH IS JUST THAT CUTE CROCODILE.
RRR UUUM BBLEE


WELCOME,

I GUESS
I'M DAMN LUCKY.

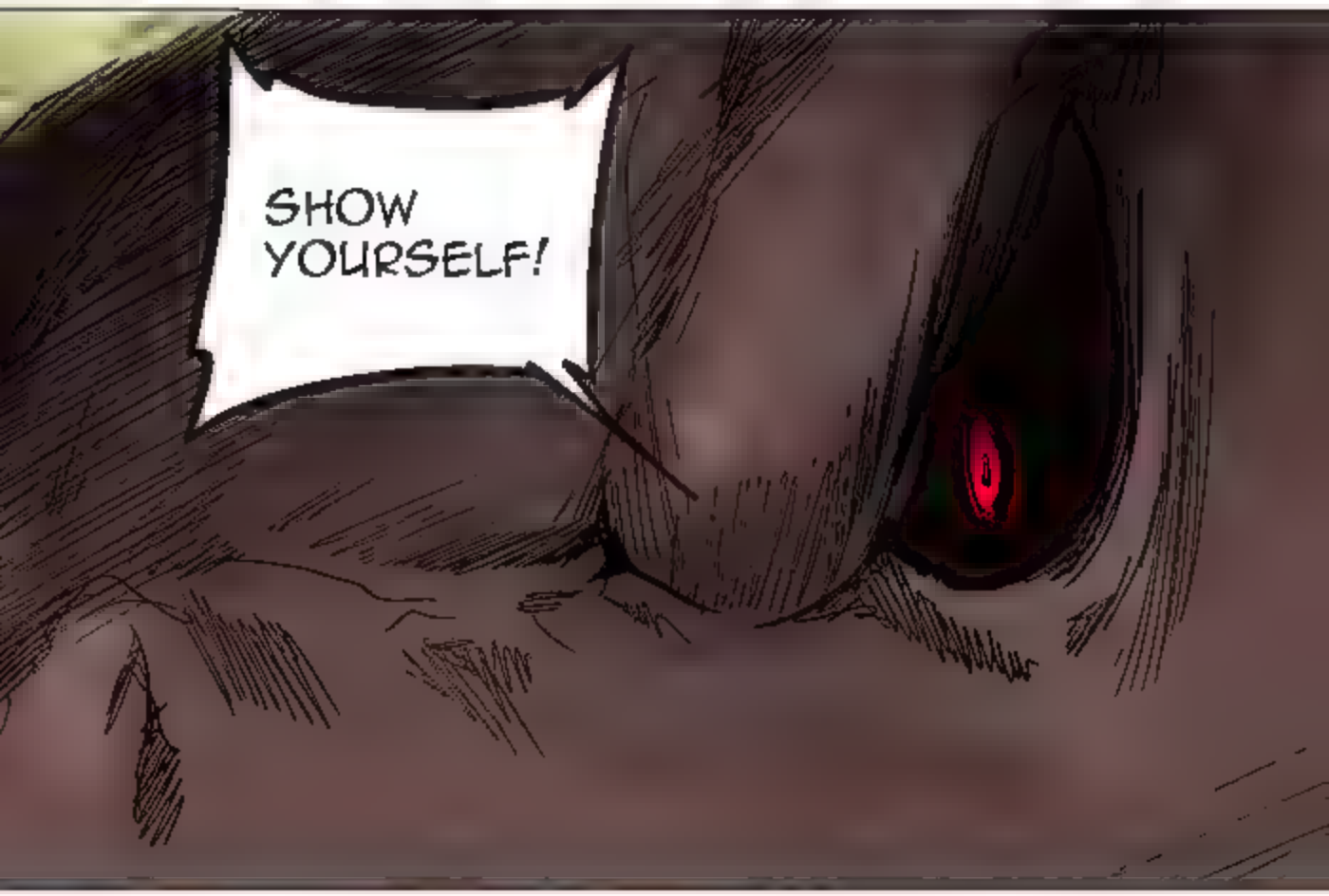
ALL I NEED TO DO IS DEAL WITH WHAT SEEMS TO BE JUST THESE TWO WEAKLING TURTLES...

DAMN LUCKY!!
BANG


AACK!!
THUMP-
I TOLD HIM TO HOLD HIS POSITION..
...THAT CROCODILE IS A TROUBLE-MAKER..
HELP ME!!
BOOM-!

AAAAA
AARGH!!

ARRGH
...WHAT'S THIS SOUND? SOMEONE IS DOWN ALREADY?


SHOW YOURSELF!

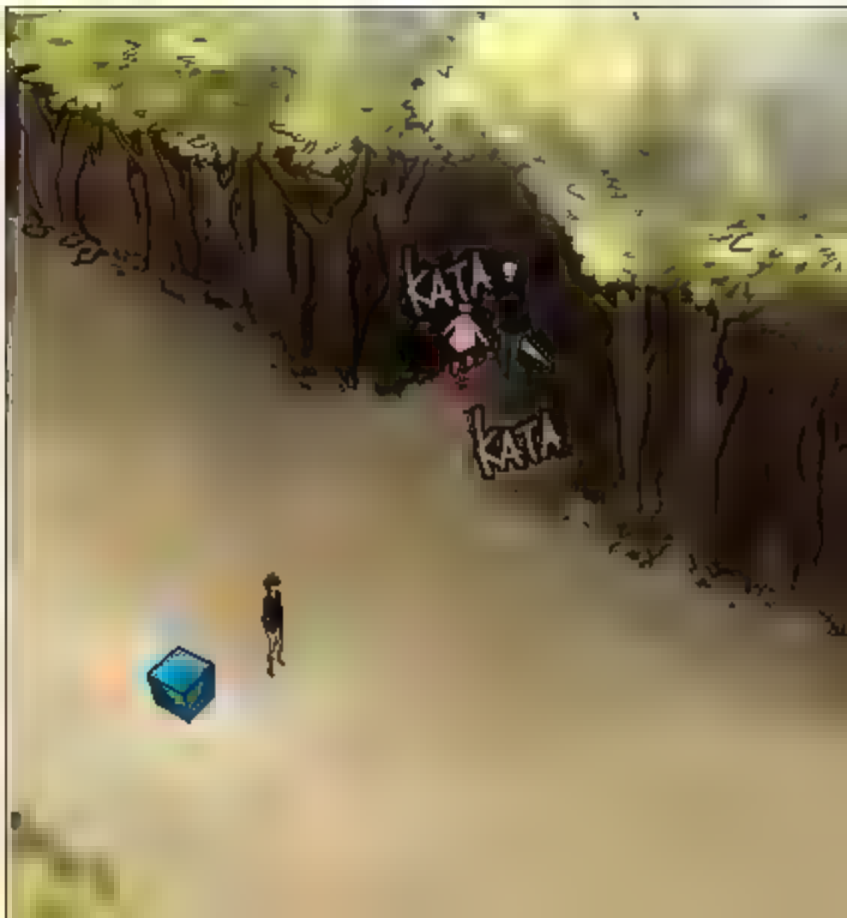
WHAM
WHERE DID THAT COCKY LITTLE TURTLE GO?!!

ACK!
THUMP!
SOMEBODY HELP!
AARGH!
BANG!
THAT CROCODILE..
HE'S TOTALLY EXCITED...

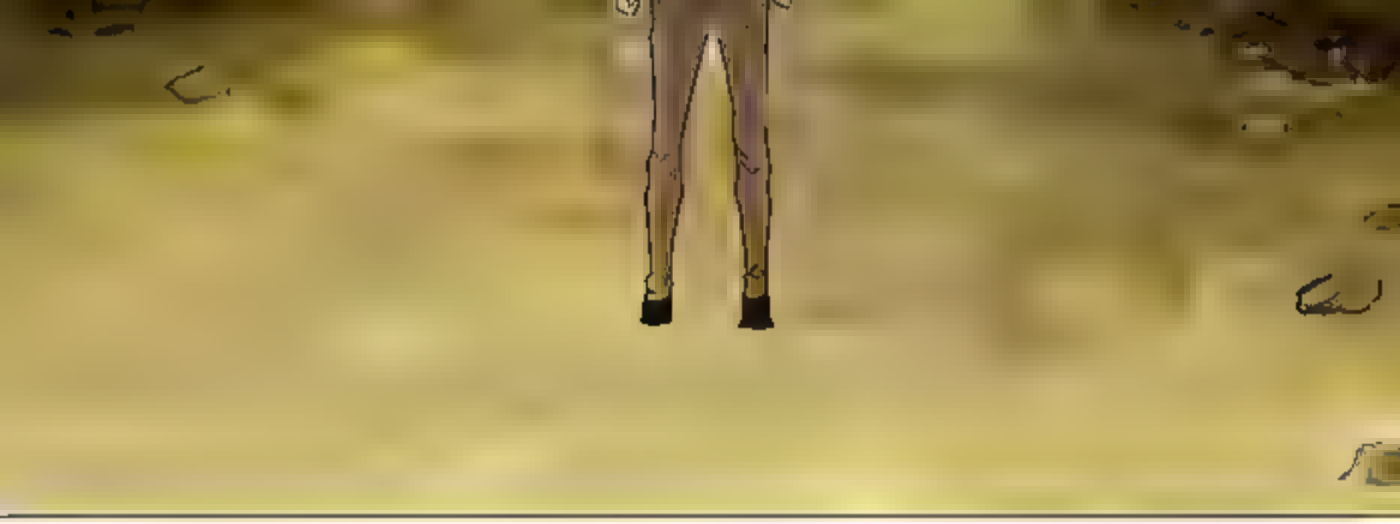
I THINK HE'S HAPPY TO BE GOING UP THE TOWER WITH YOU AGAIN, BAM.
OH...
WHAT AN INTENSE WAY TO SHOW HIS EXCITEMENT...
UUURGH!
WILL YOU REALLY BE OKAY, VIOLE?
YOU'VE JUST WOKEN UP AFTER LOSING CONSCIOUSNESS...
I'M ALRIGHT... EACH DEFENDER NEEDS TO CARRY OUT EACH OTHER'S PARTS WELL...
I CAN'T BE A BURDEN TO YOU BECAUSE I DON'T FEEL WELL.

ALTHOUGH MY HEAD ACHES A LITTLE...
I DON'T THINK THAT WILL CAUSE ANY TROUBLE WITH FIGHTING.

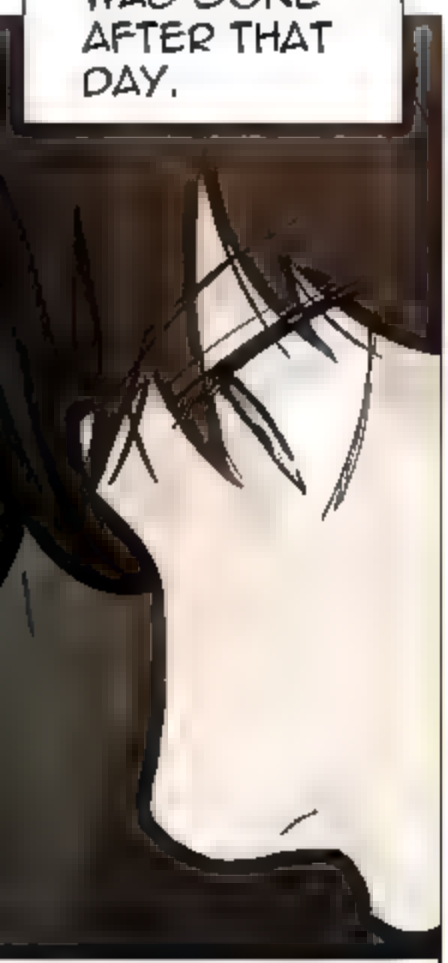
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME, MR. ARKRAPTOR. YOU SHOULD GO BACK TO YOUR SNIPER POSITION.
OKAY. BUT, DON'T PUSH YOURSELF TOO HARD.


KATA
KATA

SHOOOSH



THE VOICE WAS GONE AFTER THAT DAY.



MY HEAD DOES ACHE A LITTLE, BUT...

IT'S JUST A HEADACHE.

WHAT ON EARTH..

WAS THAT VOICE?

IT TOLD ME..
SHOOSH—
THAT I WANTED MORE POWER.
SHOOSH—

HAVE I ALWAYS BEEN YEARNING...
FOR THE POWER IT WAS TALKING ABOUT..?
WHEN I HEARD OTHERS SAY THEY WANTED THE POWER,
I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW WHY THEY WOULD WANT SOMETHING LIKE THAT...

THE POWER TO GO UP HIGHER-

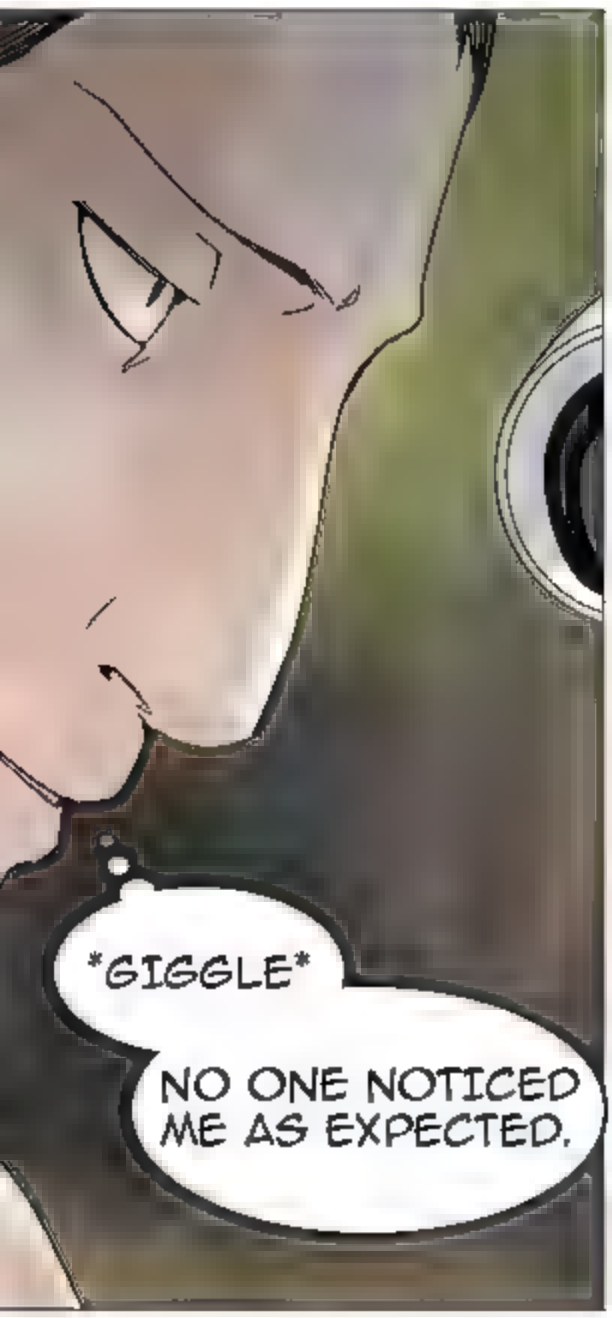
RUMBLE

THE OFFENSIVE TEAM. REGULAR BULLBACK, REGULAR MORASELING, OUT!
WHERE'S THAT COCKY TURTLE?
THE TOTAL OF SIX REMAIN ON THE OFFENSIVE TEAM!

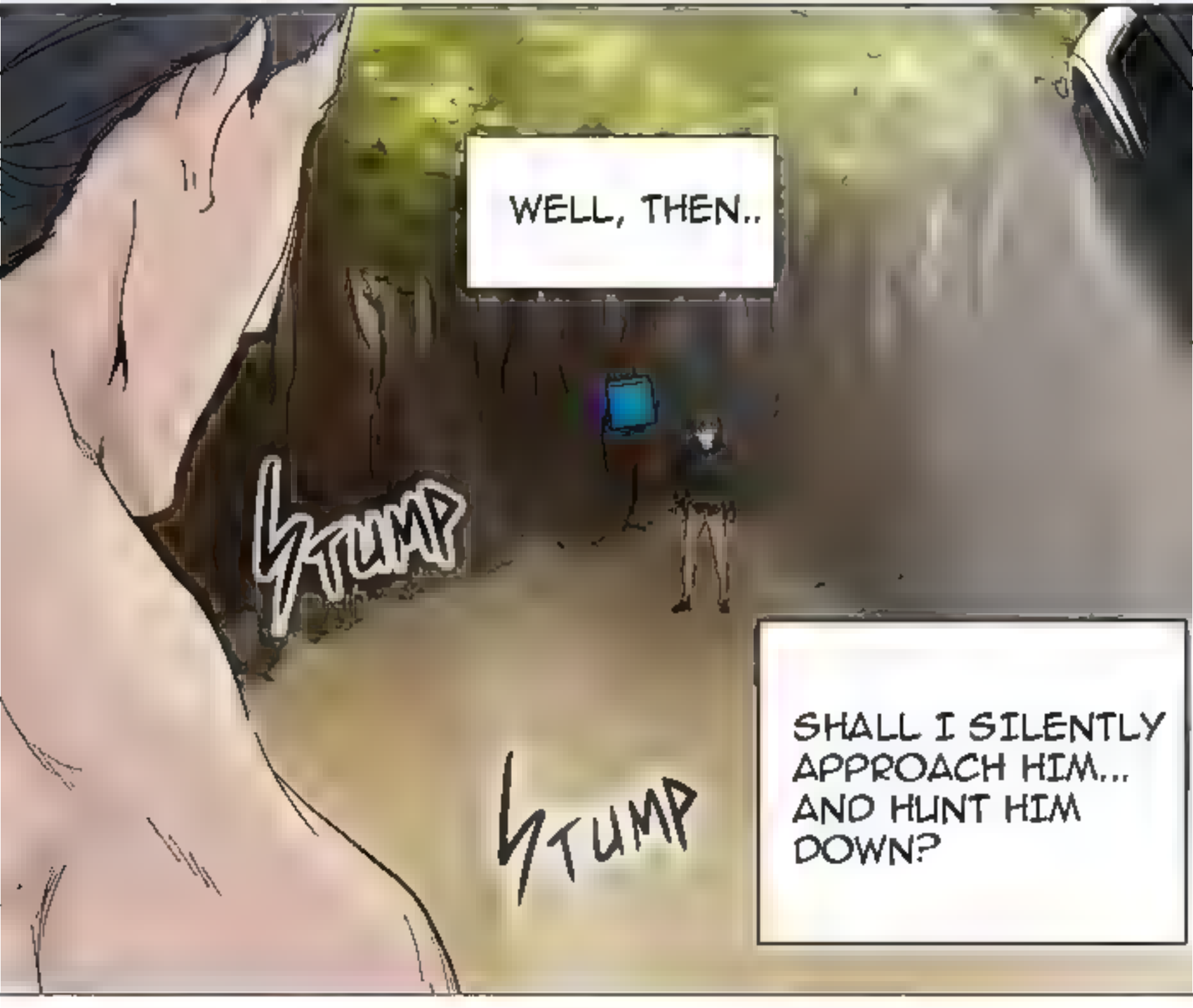
...STRANGE.
ONE PERSON ON THE OTHER TEAM WAS NOWHERE TO BE SEEN SINCE THE GAME STARTED. WHERE COULD HE BE?

EVERYONE CAN ONLY APPROACH BY THE GIVEN PATH...
BUT, WHY IS HE NOT THERE...?

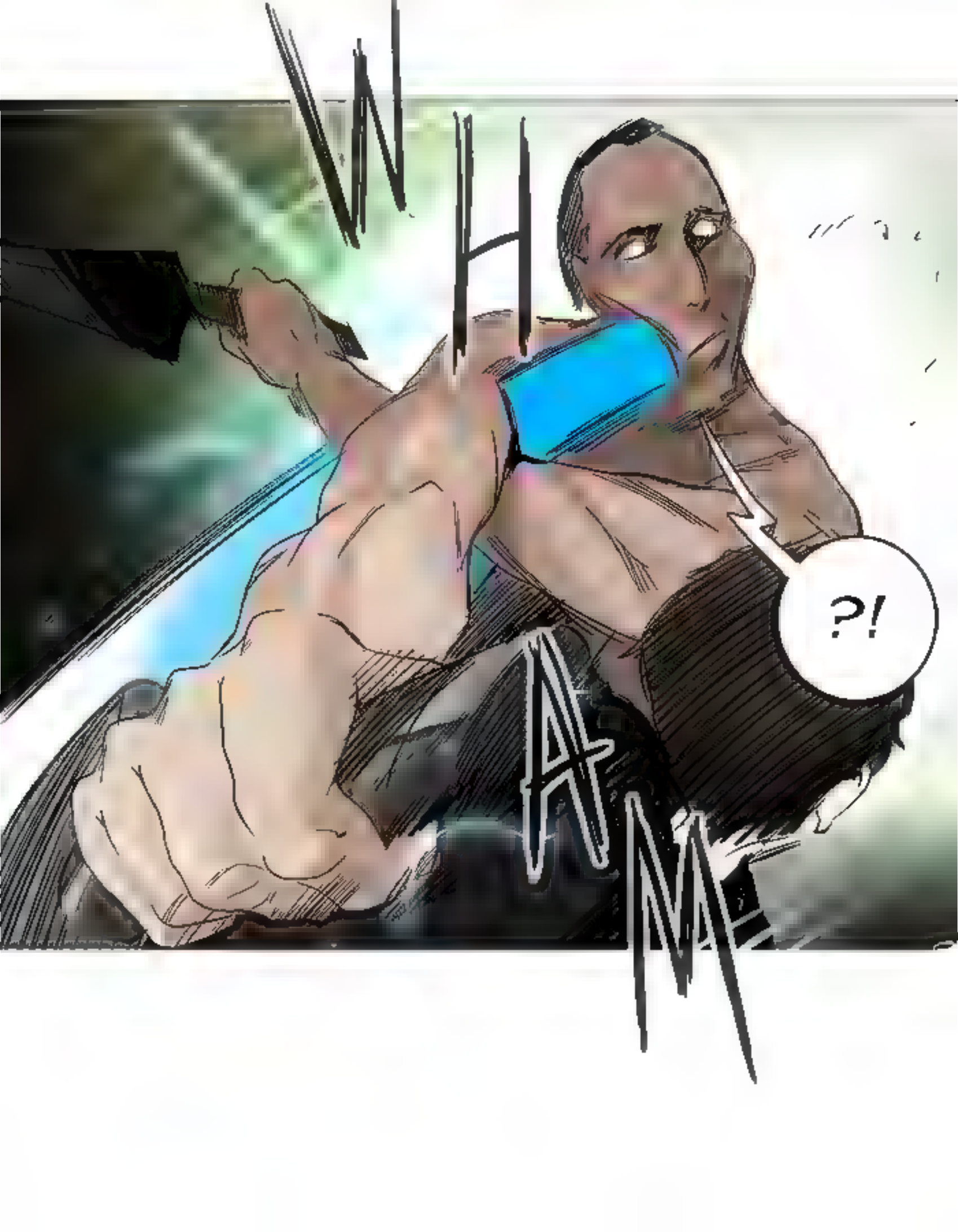
STUMP


GIGGLE
NO ONE NOTICED ME AS EXPECTED.

WELL... I GUESS IT'S NOT SO SURPRISING. THIS CONVERTED OBSERVER, WHITE-X...
WHIR-
WHIR-
PUTS A SPECIAL SHINSU BARRIER AROUND MY BODY, SO THAT I WON'T BE SEEN OR HEARD BY ANYBODY.
IT WASN'T EASY TO GET THIS SINCE IT'S A DO-CLASS ITEM...


WELL, THEN..
STUMP
STUMP
SHALL I SILENTLY APPROACH HIM... AND HUNT HIM DOWN?

HAHA... LOOK AT HIS DUMB FACE. HE HAS NO IDEA.
.....
I JUST LOVE THIS MOMENT...
WHEN THE ENEMY WHO NOTICES NOTHING-
SUDDENLY DIES IN FEAR!!


WHAM
?!

CRACK
WHAT...
CRACK
THE...?
KA
HE NOTICED?!
BOOM

?!

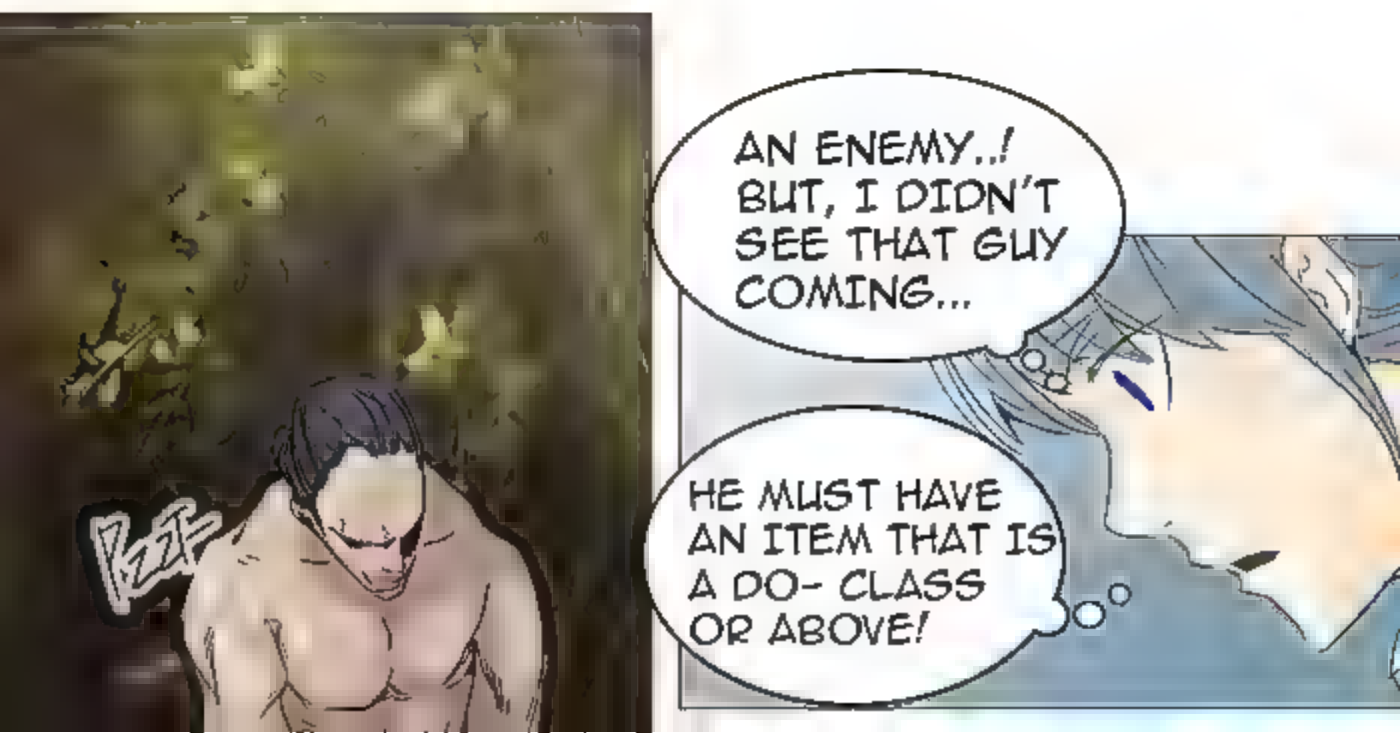
WHAT WAS THAT?

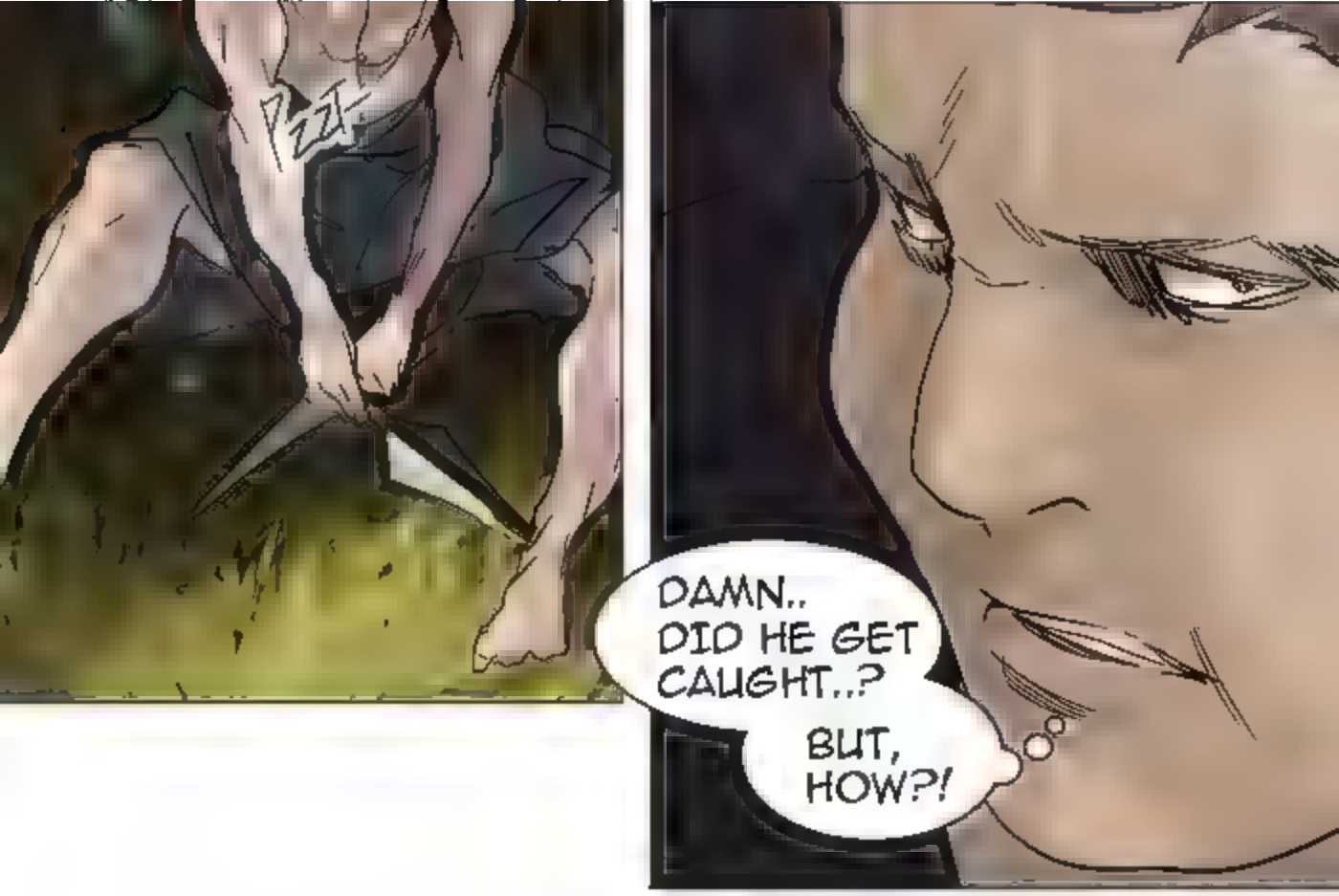
BUT HOW? NOTHING'S BEEN DETECTED BY MY OBSERVER!

!!

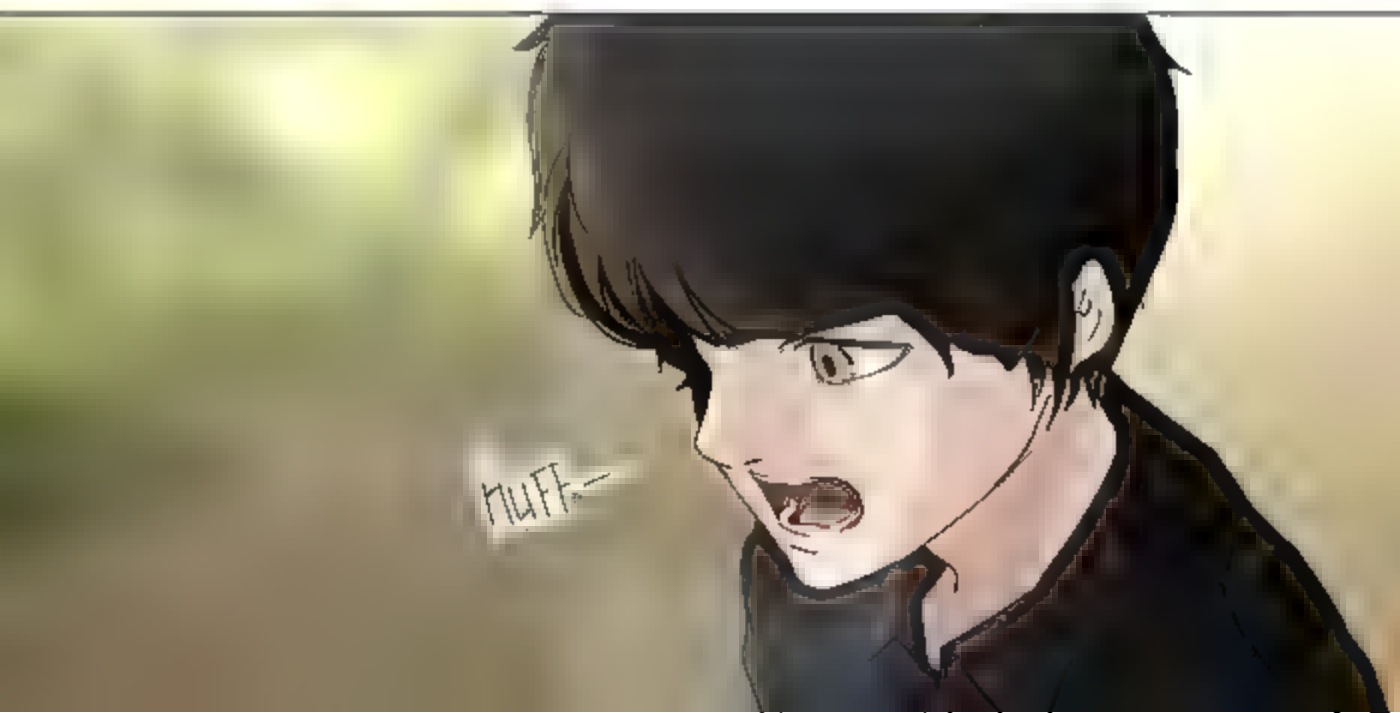
THUMP

A HIDDEN ENEMY?!


AN ENEMY..! BUT, I DIDN'T SEE THAT GUY COMING...
HE MUST HAVE AN ITEM THAT IS A DO- CLASS OR ABOVE!
BZT

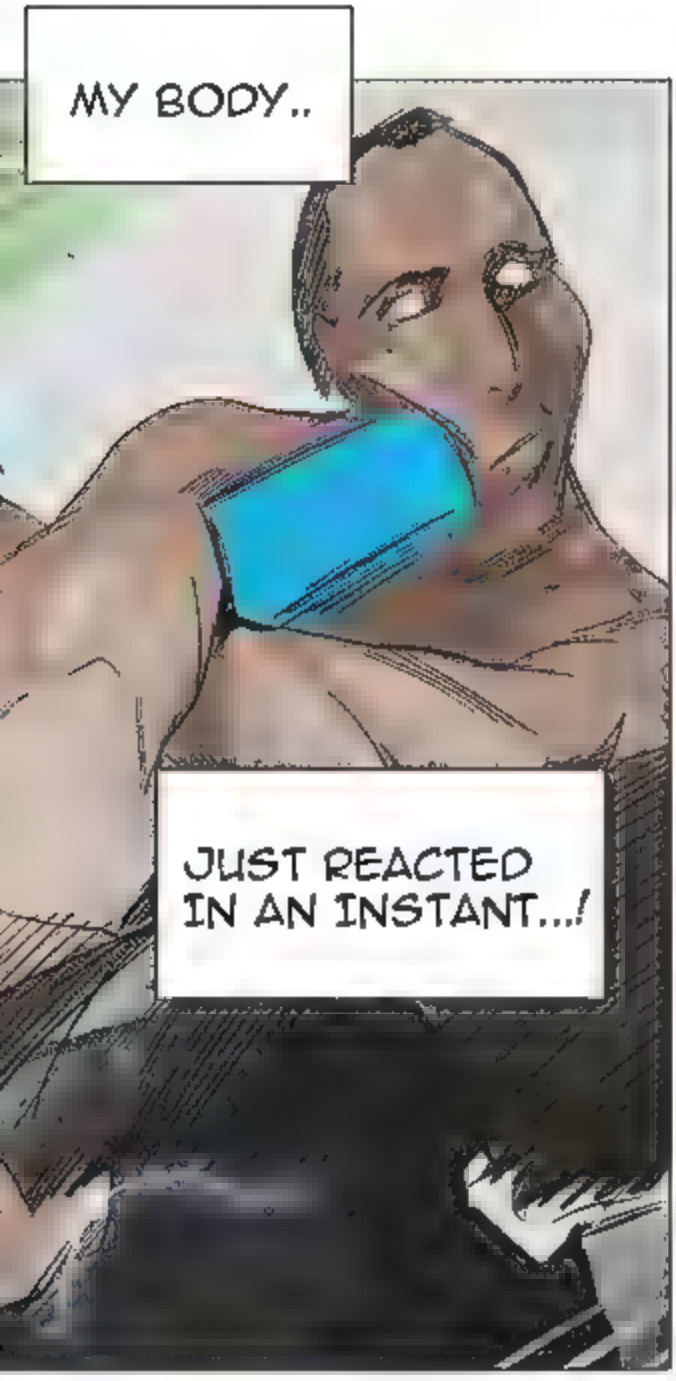


*SPECIAL FUNCTIONS OF OBSERVERS LIKE WHITE-X ONLY WORK ON LIGHTHOUSES OR OBSERVERS OF LOWER CLASSES.



huff—
huff—

huff—
huff—
huff—


MY BODY..
JUST REACTED IN AN INSTANT...!

WHAT IS THIS..?
PZZZT

MY BODY IS
REACTING ON
ITS OWN...!

THE OFFENSIVE TEAM. REGULAR WALKIN OUT!
WHAT? ALREADY?
WHY ISN'T ANYONE COMING THIS WAY?
I'M BORED..
A TOTAL OF FIVE REMAIN ON THE OFFENSIVE TEAM!
BLACK TURTLE..!

IT SEEMS WALKIN IS DOWN!

STOMP—

DAMN!! HOW THE HELL DID THIS HAPPEN?

STOMP—

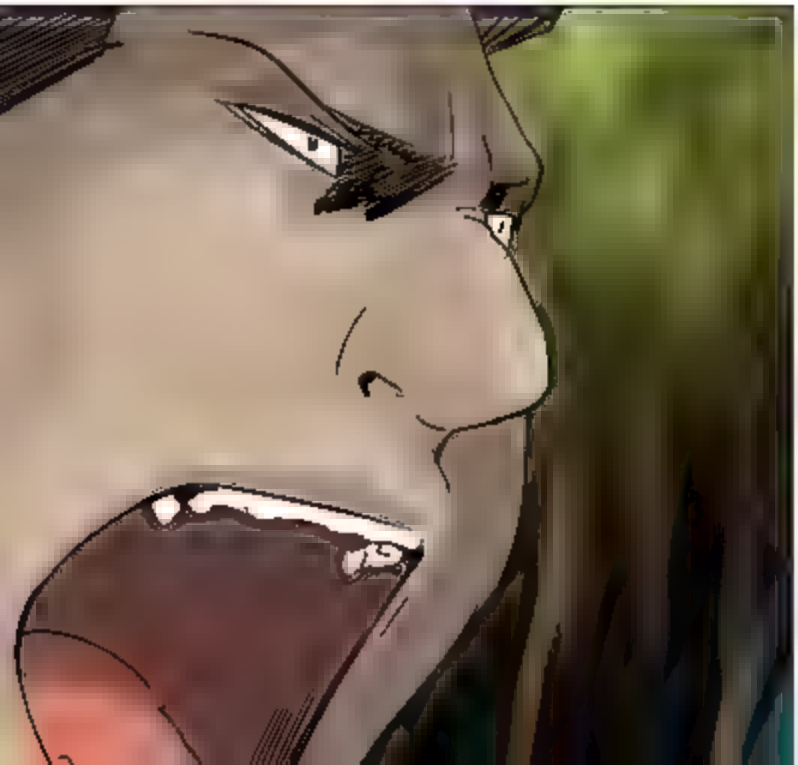
I'M GOING THROUGH MYSELF!!

STOMP

STOMP

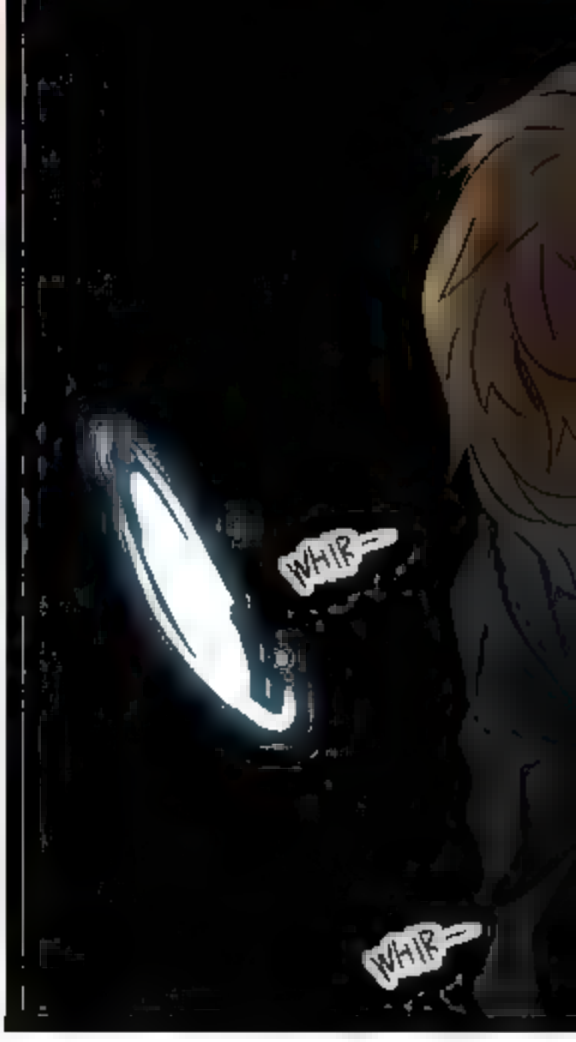
WOOSH
!!

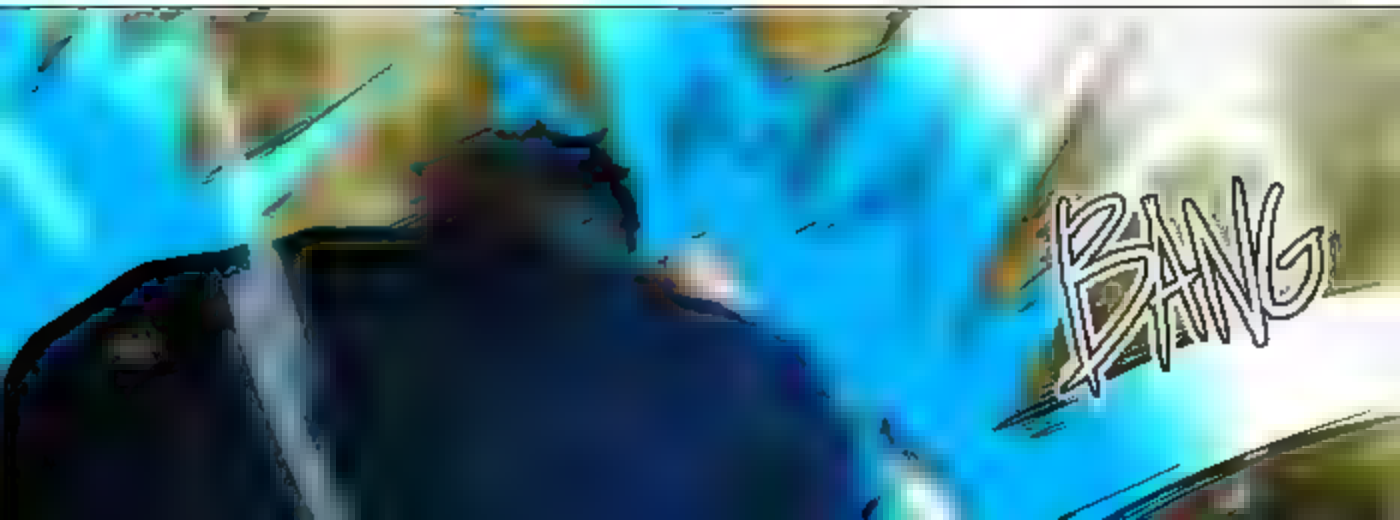
HUFF
HUFF



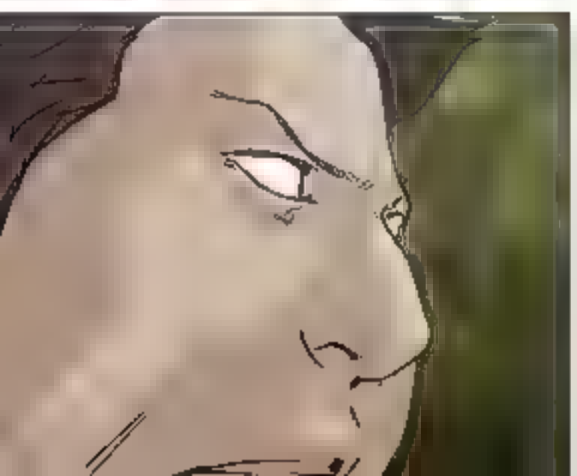
WHIR

DAMN PUNK!! HOW DARE YOU DO THAT TO WALKIN!!
AND HOW DID YOU FIND OUT THE FUNCTION OF WALKIN'S OBSERVER?!

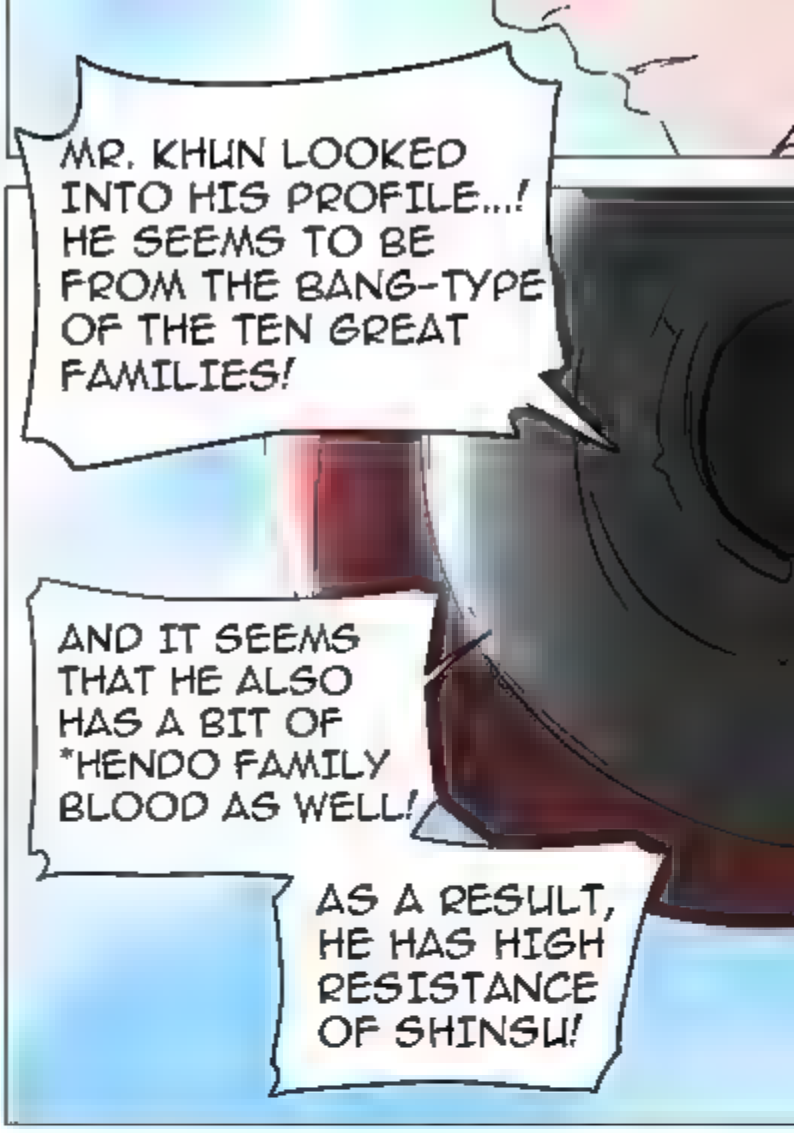

WHIR—
WHIR—


BANG

KABOOM
KRGH-!!
BTOOM



SHINSU DOESN'T WORK ON THAT GUY!


MR. KHUN LOOKED INTO HIS PROFILE...! HE SEEMS TO BE FROM THE BANG-TYPE OF THE TEN GREAT FAMILIES!
AND IT SEEMS THAT HE ALSO HAS A BIT OF *HENDO FAMILY BLOOD AS WELL!
AS A RESULT, HE HAS HIGH RESISTANCE OF SHINSU!

*THE HENDO FAMILY IS FAMOUS FOR HAVING THE MOST POWERFUL DEFENSIVE POWER AMONGST THE TEN GREAT FAMILIES.

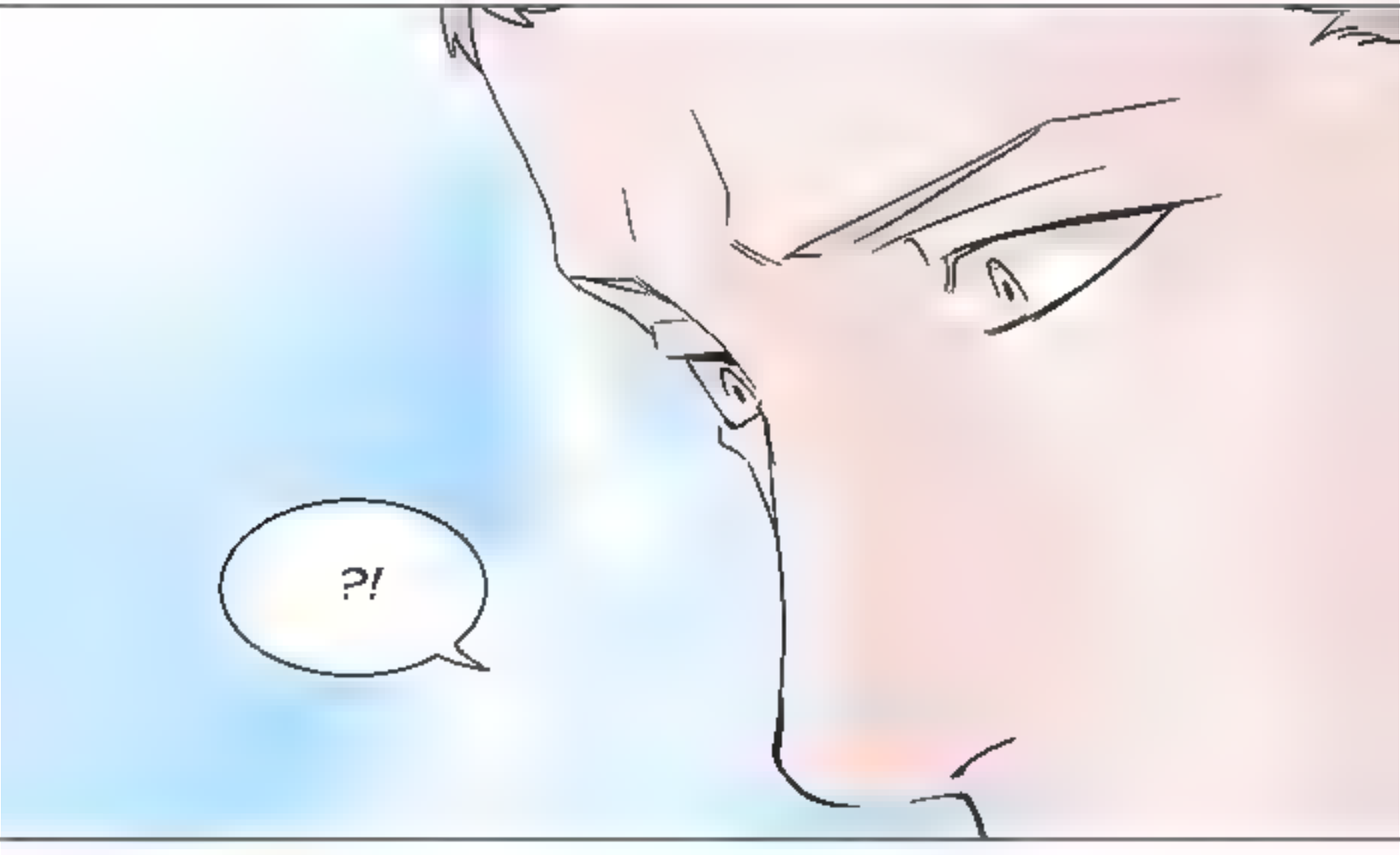
STOMP-
STOMP-
KRGH-!

SWOOSH
I'VE BEEN WAITING SO MANY YEARS FOR THIS CHANCE TO GO UP THE TOWER!!!

SMOOSH

I'M GOING TO KILL YOU!

BAM-!!



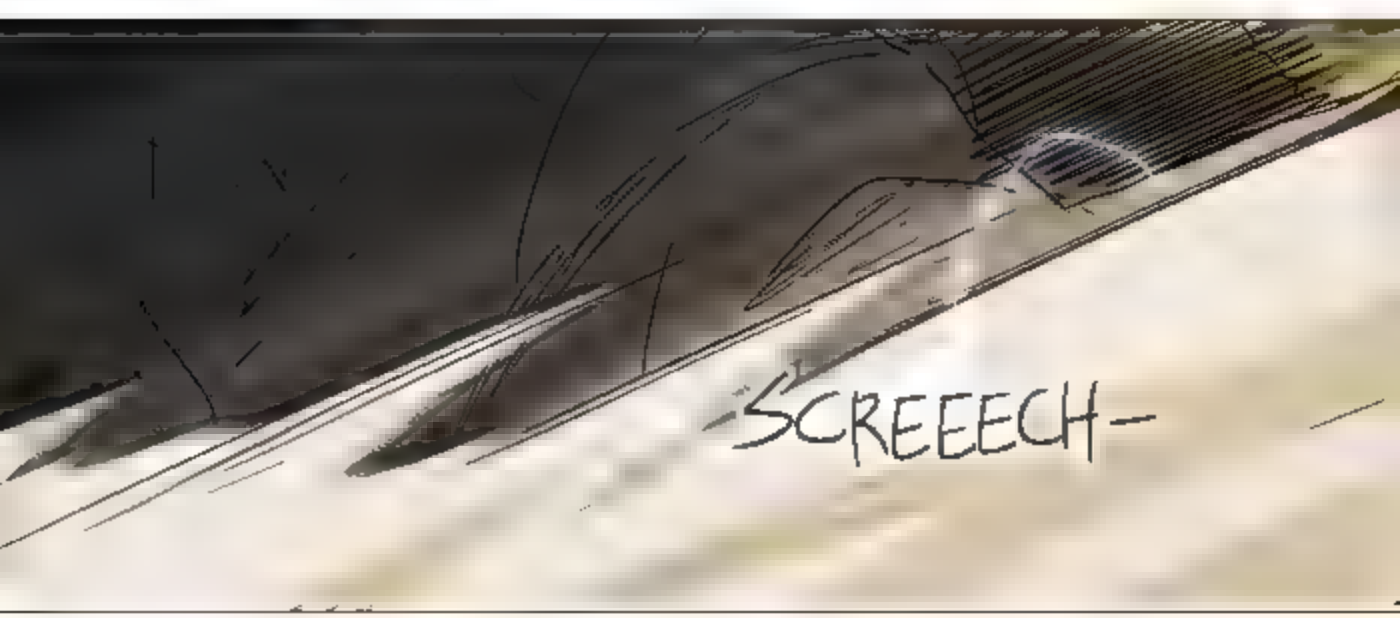
CRACK

WHAM

WOOSH-
ACK-!

KA
BA
BA

BAM


-SCREEECH-

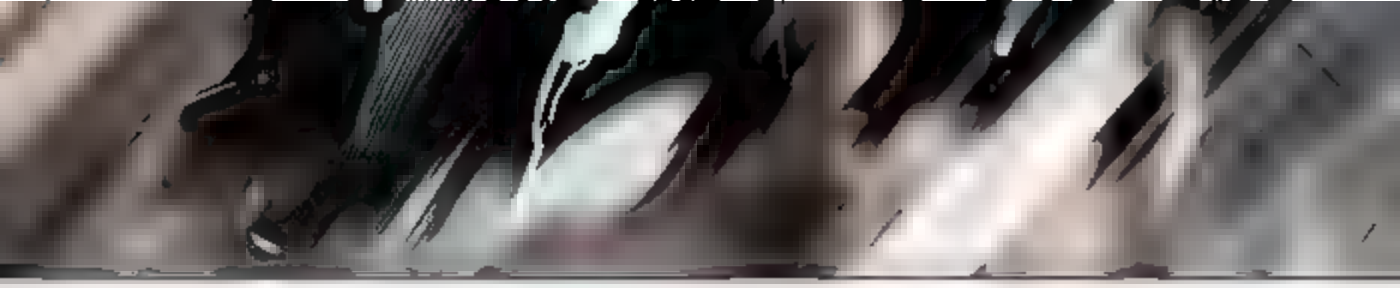
THE OFFENSIVE TEAM. REGULARS BEL BERHINO AND RUJON, OUT!
WHAT?!
MY PREY!!
WOW-
IMPRESSIVE..
THAT MEANS THERE ARE ONLY THREE MEMBERS REMAINING ON THE OFFENSIVE TEAM!
BUT THE THORN DIDN'T EVEN ACTIVATE...

THAT MONSTER!!
I'LL GET YOU FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO MY TEAMMATES!!
WOOSH!
HUFF- HUFF-

BAM!!

ENEMY-
I'M GETTING ATTACKED.
MISTER! SHOOT HIM-!!
DODGE-!
HUMM
SWISH

BOOM



CRACKLE
BOOM
KRGH-!!

THUMP
PZZT
PZZZT
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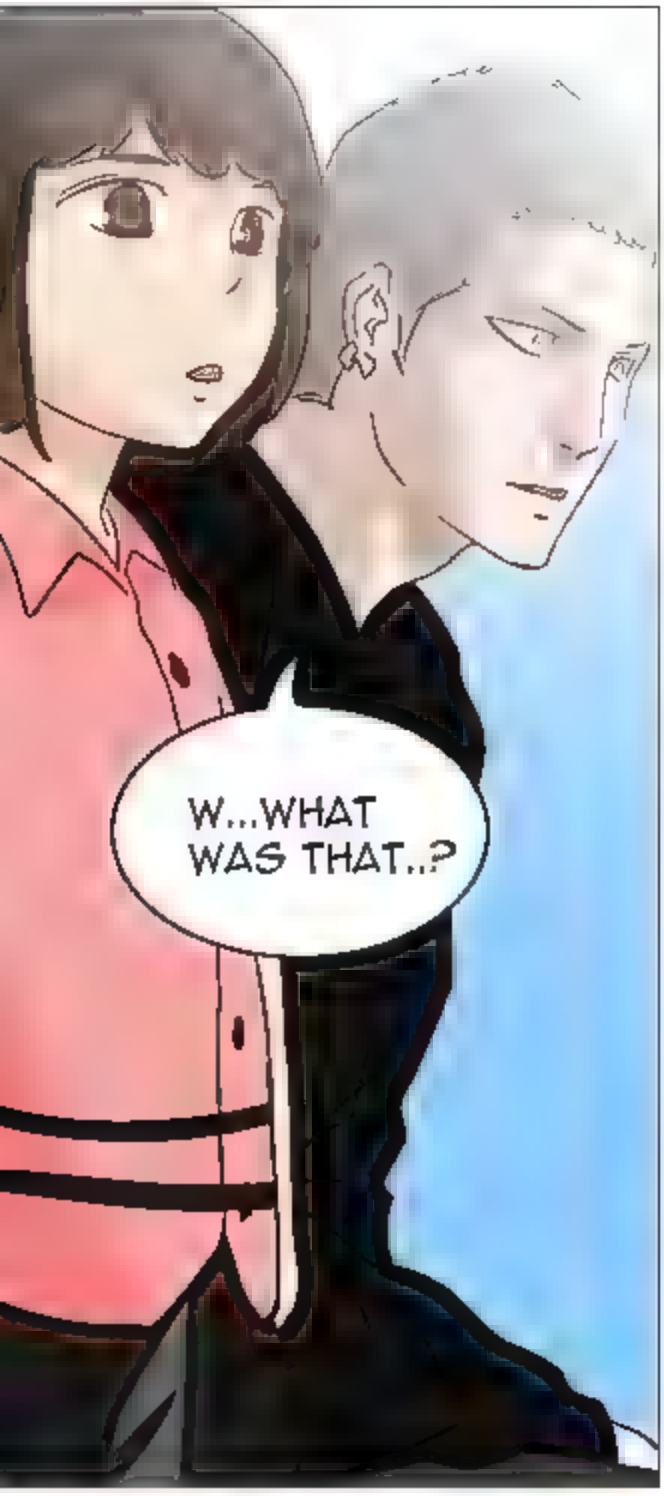
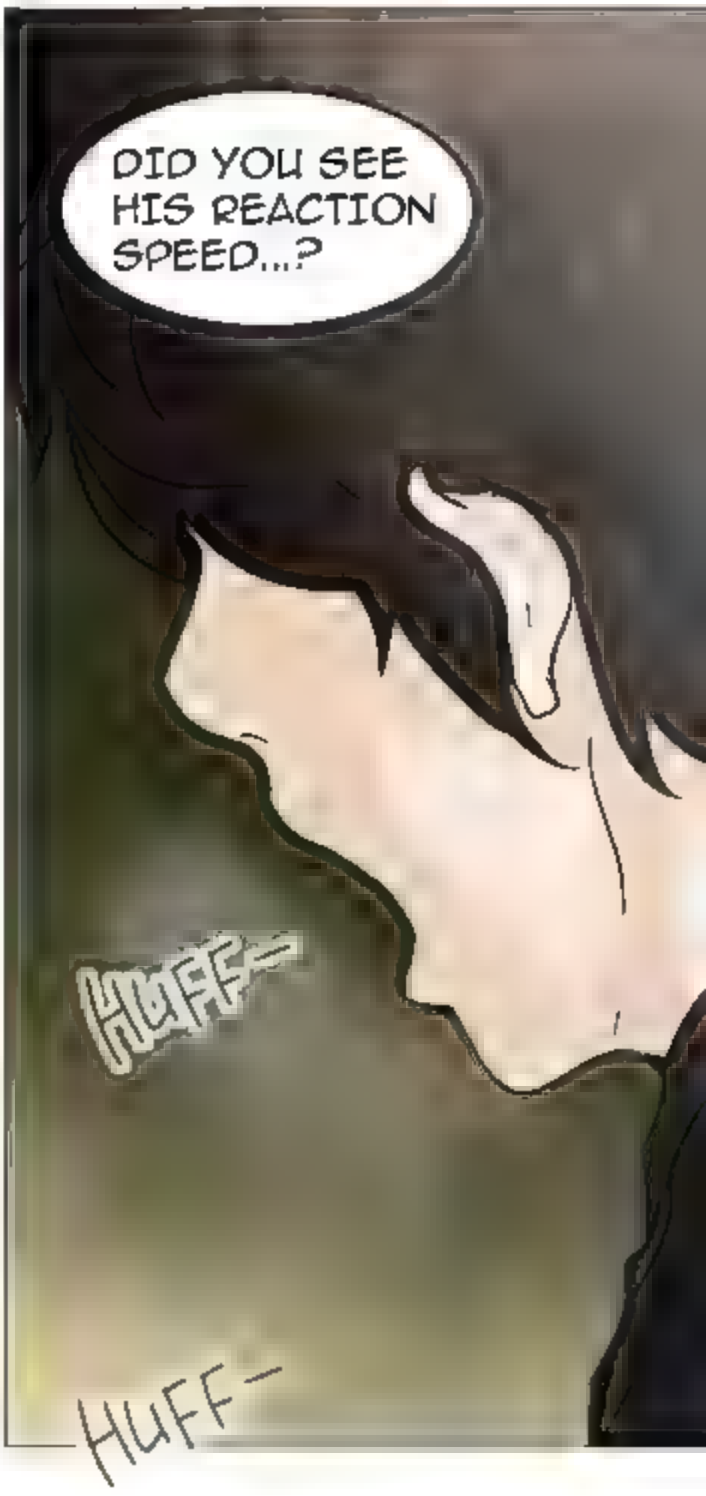
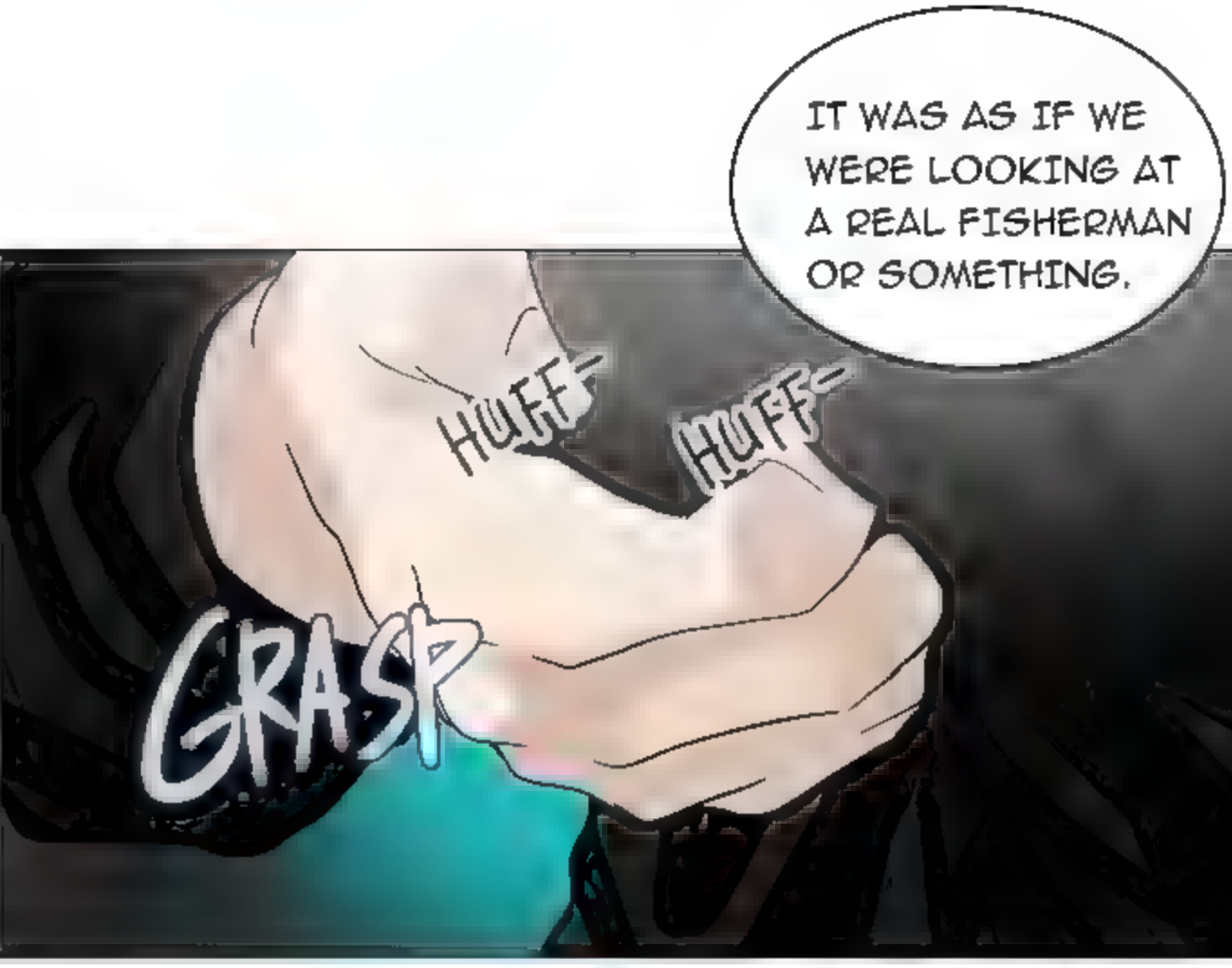

W...WHAT WAS THAT..?


DID YOU SEE HIS REACTION SPEED...?
HUFF-
HUFF-



*"FISHERMEN" IS A WORD THAT IS USED MORE OFTEN FOR A PERFECT FIGHTER WHO IS CAPABLE OF FIGHTING IN ALL TYPES OF BATTLES RATHER THAN USED AS TITLE OF A POSITION.

ONE MONTH
LATER-

CURRENT FLOOR, 36F
INSIDE DEOKJA, A FLOATING SHIP, HEADED TO THE TEST AREA
TODAY, WE'RE EATING KIMCHI FRIED RICE INSTEAD OF EEL!
MENU FOR THE REGULARS MUST BE UNITED IN ORDER TO GET A DISCOUNT! AND WE CAN'T ALWAYS EAT WHAT ONLY YOU LIKE!
WHAT?!
KIMCHI FRIED RICE?! BUT, THERE'S NO MEAT IN IT!

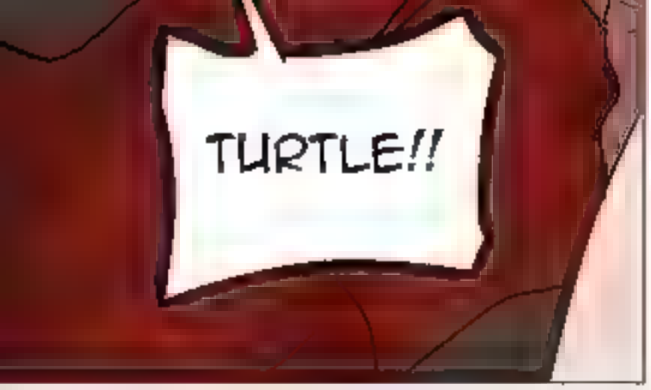
NO! I WANT MEAT! THAT DOESN'T HAVE MEAT INSIDE!
IT'S DELICIOUS, THOUGH!
AND IF YOU KEEP WANTING ONLY MEAT, I'M GONNA SEND YOU TO A ZOO!
.....
HMPH! I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU SAY. I'LL HAVE MEAT ANYWAYS, BABY TURTLE!
ALL OF A SUDDEN..
DIZZY—
MY HEAD..
THE MENU IS MINE TO CHOOSE!!
WAIT THERE, MR. CROCODILE!!
KATA-KATA
ACHES..

SRRR
THUMP

B...BAM!?

!!

W...WHAT HAPPENED?! TURTLE!!
WHAT'S GOING ON? GET UP!
I'LL GIVE UP MY EEL BOWL!!

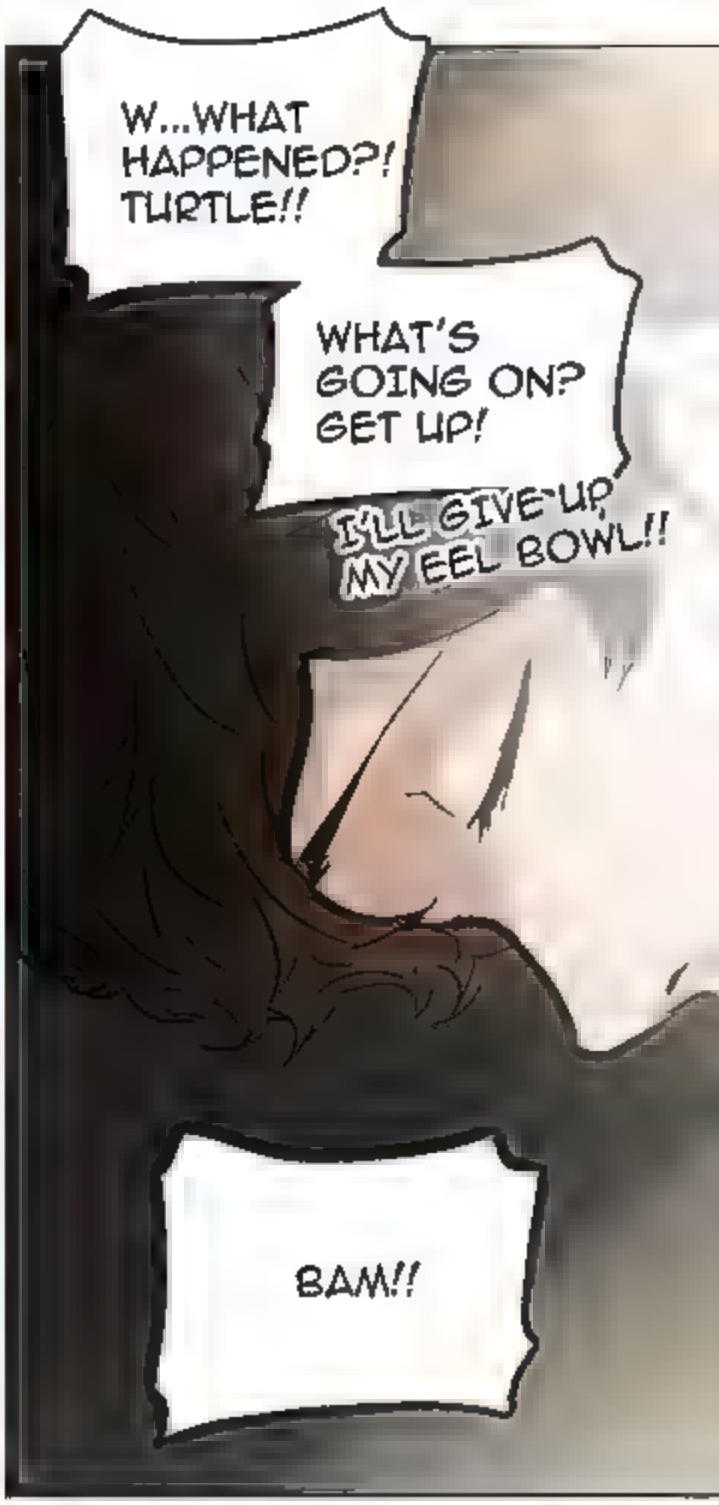

TURTLE!!

BAM!!

LINE Webtoon

THUMP
B...BAM!?

!!
TURTLE!!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WHAT'S GOING ON? GET UP!
I'LL GIVE UP MY EEL BOWL!!
BAM!!

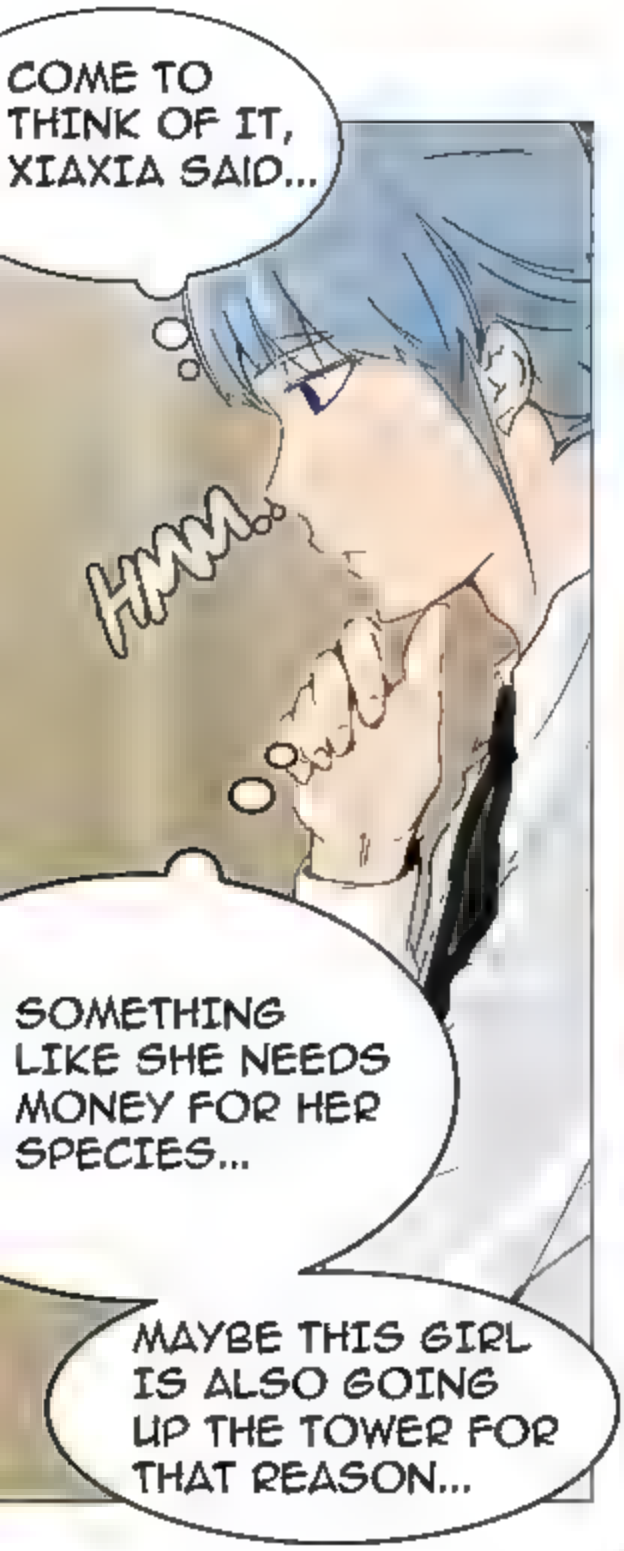
BLACK TURTLE!!
WAKE UP, BAM!

BAM!!

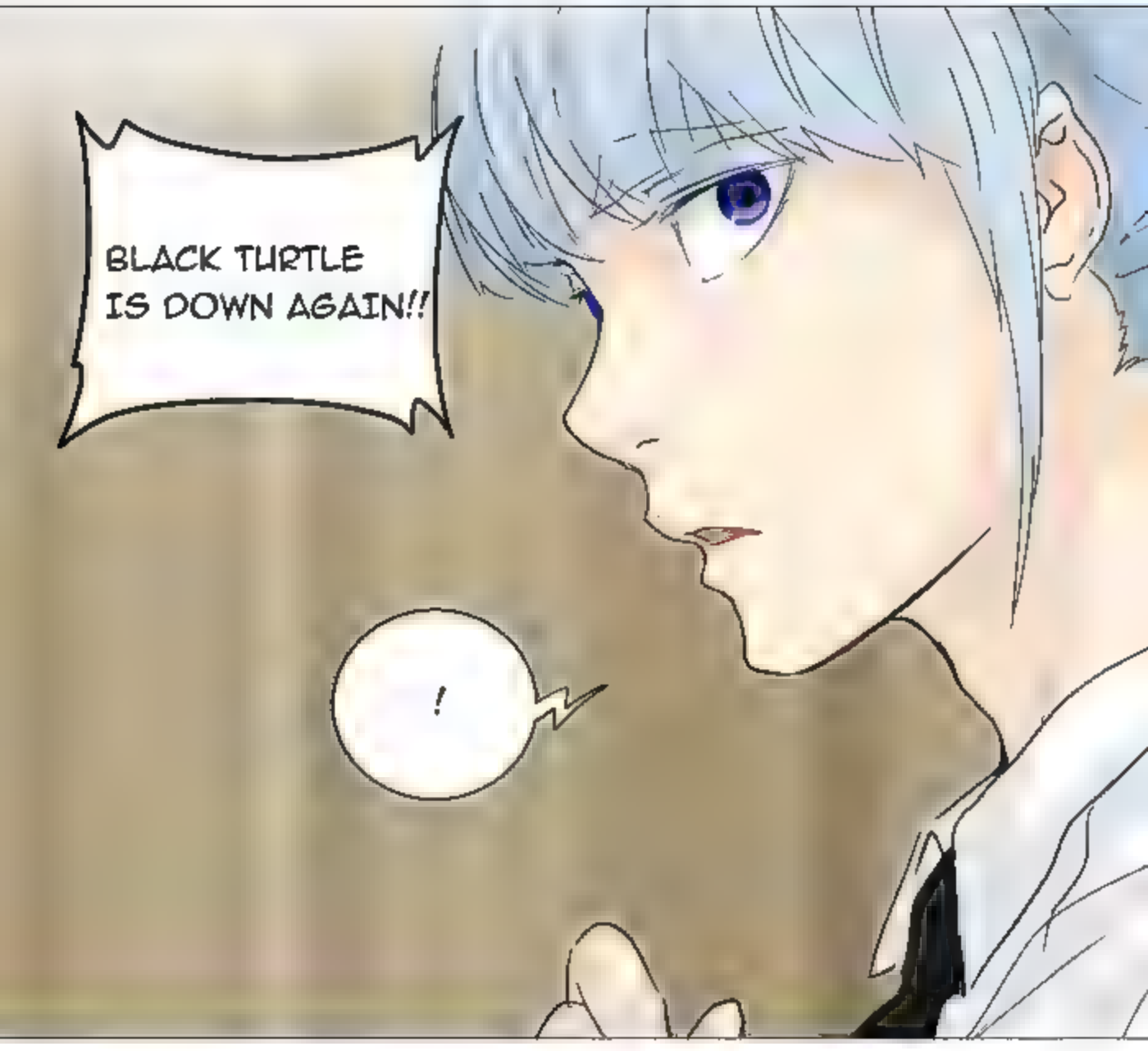
WHIR-

I GUESS IT'S FINALLY UP.
WHIP
THE LIST OF OUR NEXT MATCH...
LET'S SEE...
?
WHAT'S THIS...?
THIS GIRL...

XIAXIA?
WOW... SHE LOOKS SO MUCH LIKE HER.
ARE THEY THE SAME SPECIES...?
SHE RESEMBLES HER SO MUCH THAT IT GIVES ME THE CREEPS...
THIS IS NOT A GOOD SIGN.


COME TO THINK OF IT, XIAXIA SAID...
HMM...
SOMETHING LIKE SHE NEEDS MONEY FOR HER SPECIES...
MAYBE THIS GIRL IS ALSO GOING UP THE TOWER FOR THAT REASON...

HEY, WHITE TURTLE!!
OPEN
EMERGENCY!!
?


BLACK TURTLE
IS DOWN AGAIN!!
!

BAM!!
HUFF-
HUFF-

WHAT'S WRONG?
HAS YOUR CONDITION GOTTEN WORSE?
CROCODILE! WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON?
I...I DON'T KNOW.
WE WERE ABOUT TO LEAVE FOR DINNER, BUT HE SUDDENLY...
HE FELL DOWN OUT OF NOWHERE...
I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD GO ON TO THE NEXT MATCH LIKE THIS... ALTHOUGH WE ARE IN A HURRY, WE SHOULD POSTPONE...

N...NO,
I'M FINE.
BAM!!
I'M IN FOR
THE MATCH.

I'LL
PARTICIPATE.
I CAN DO
THIS.

I WILL DO THIS.

BAM...
IF WE DON'T TAKE THE TEST THIS TIME, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO CATCH UP TO THE TRAIN RACHEL'S ON.
HUFF.
HUFF.
.....BAM.

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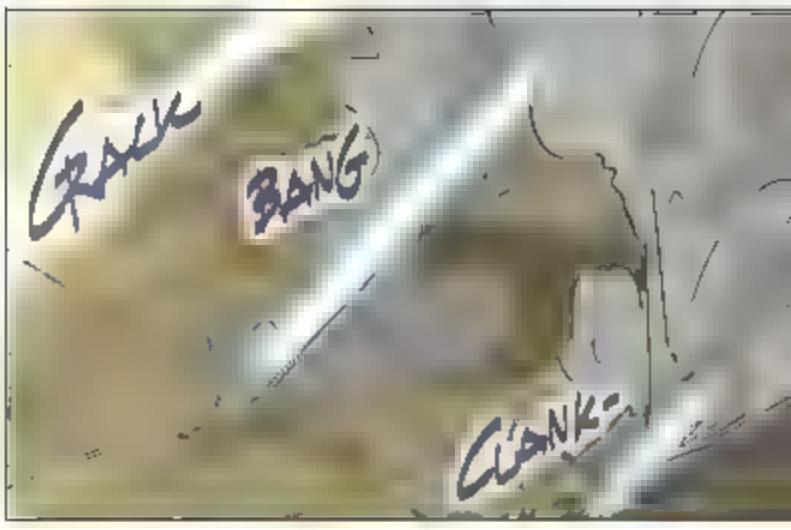
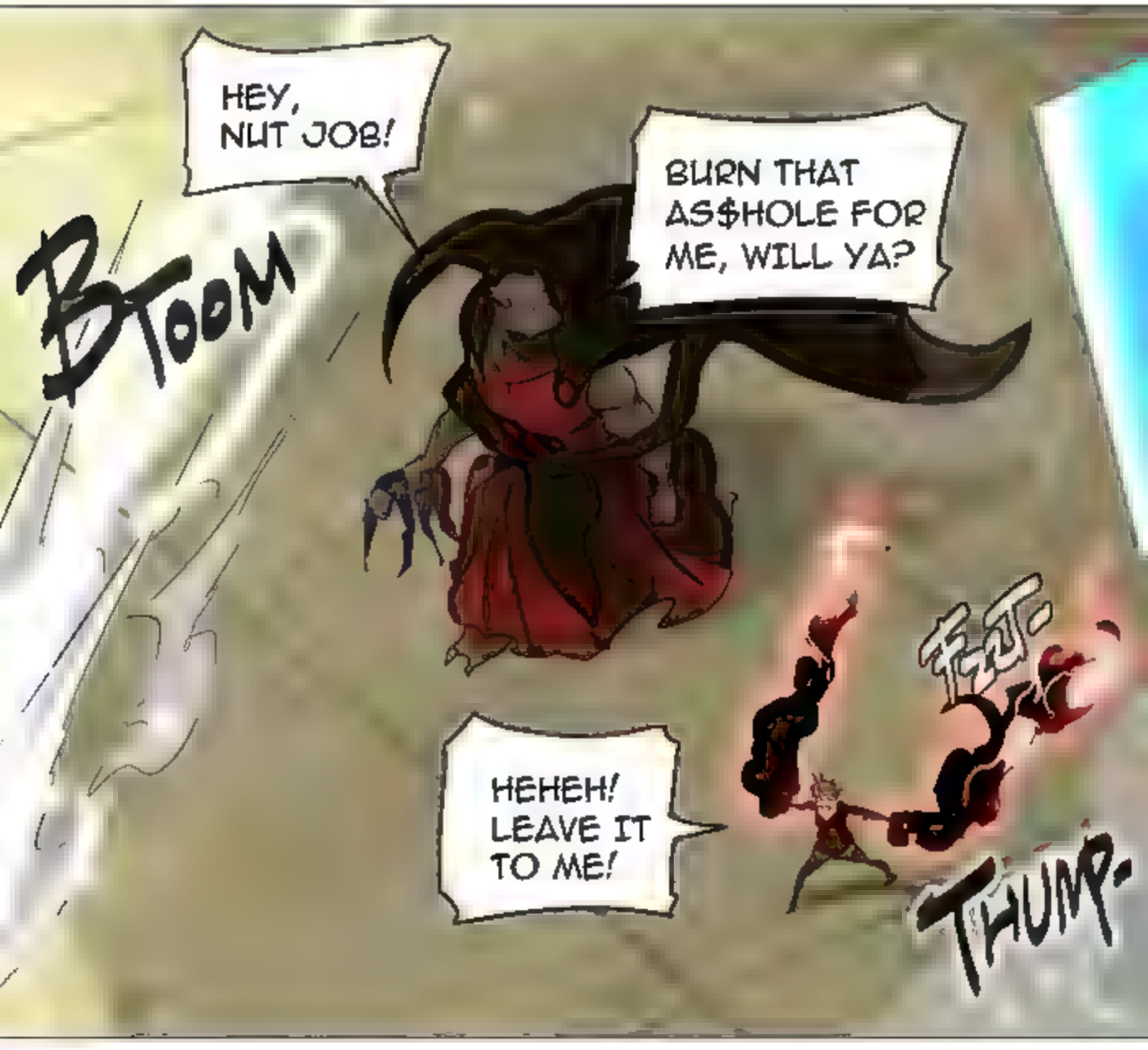
A MOMENT LATER,
FLOOR 36
TEST AREA
BANG!

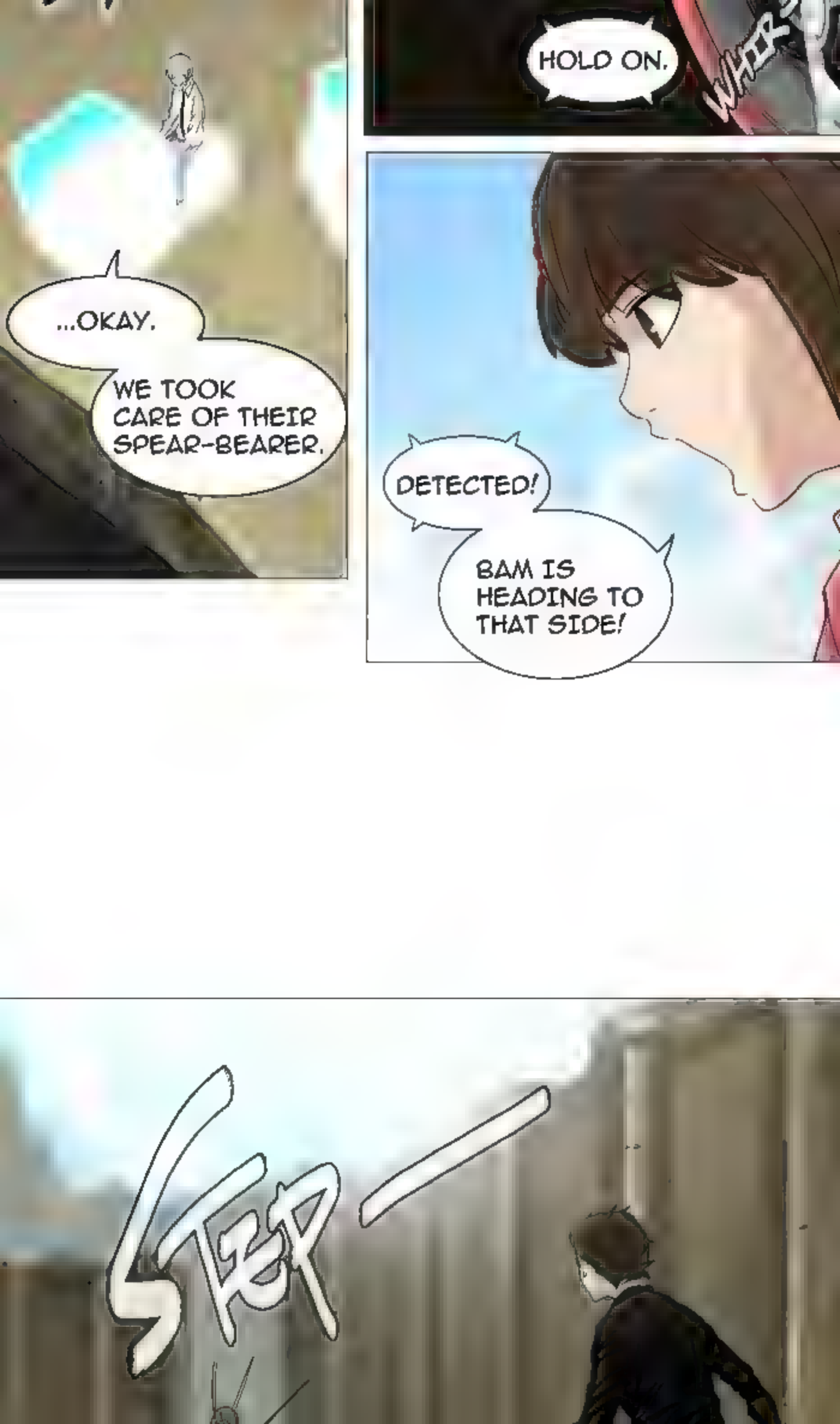

CRACK
BANG
CLANK-

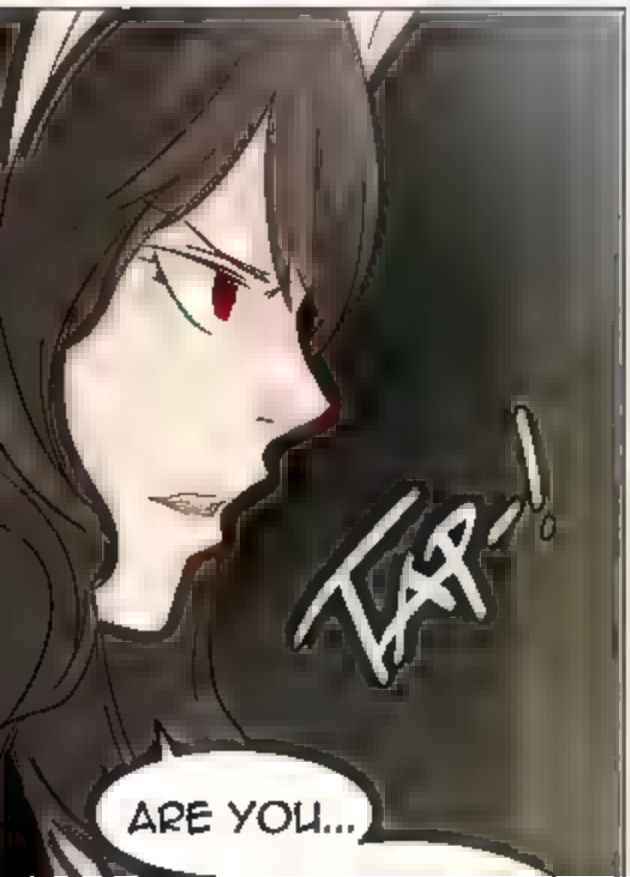
RUMBLE-
IT'S ANNOYING!
LOOK AT THOSE BEAM ATTACKS!


HEY, NUT JOB!
BTOOM
BURN THAT AS$HOLE FOR ME, WILL YA?
HEHEH! LEAVE IT TO ME!
THU-
THUMP-

BANG!

MISENG, WHAT ABOUT THE FISHERMAN?
WUT?

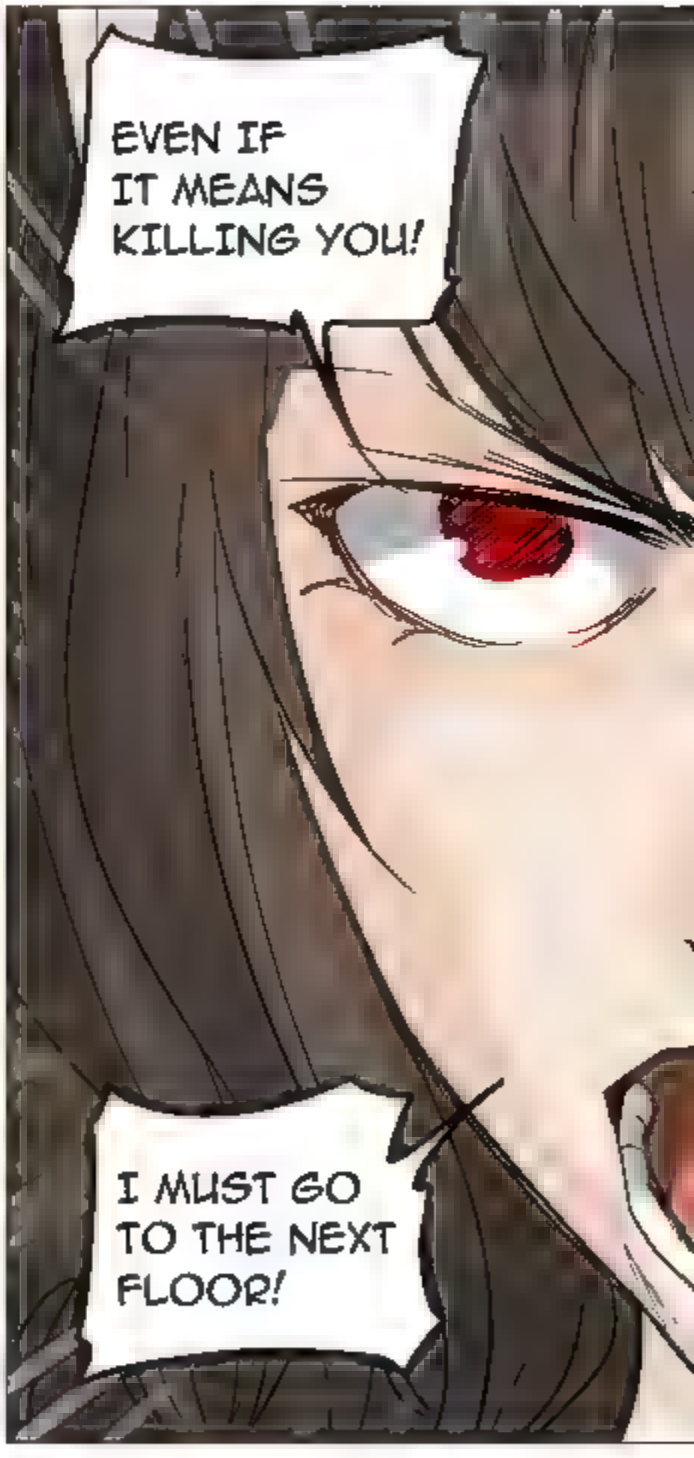

HOLD ON.
WHIR
...OKAY.
WE TOOK CARE OF THEIR SPEAR-BEARER.
DETECTED!
BAM IS HEADING TO THAT SIDE!
STEP


TAP-!
ARE YOU...

THE FISHERMAN ON YOUR TEAM?
.....?

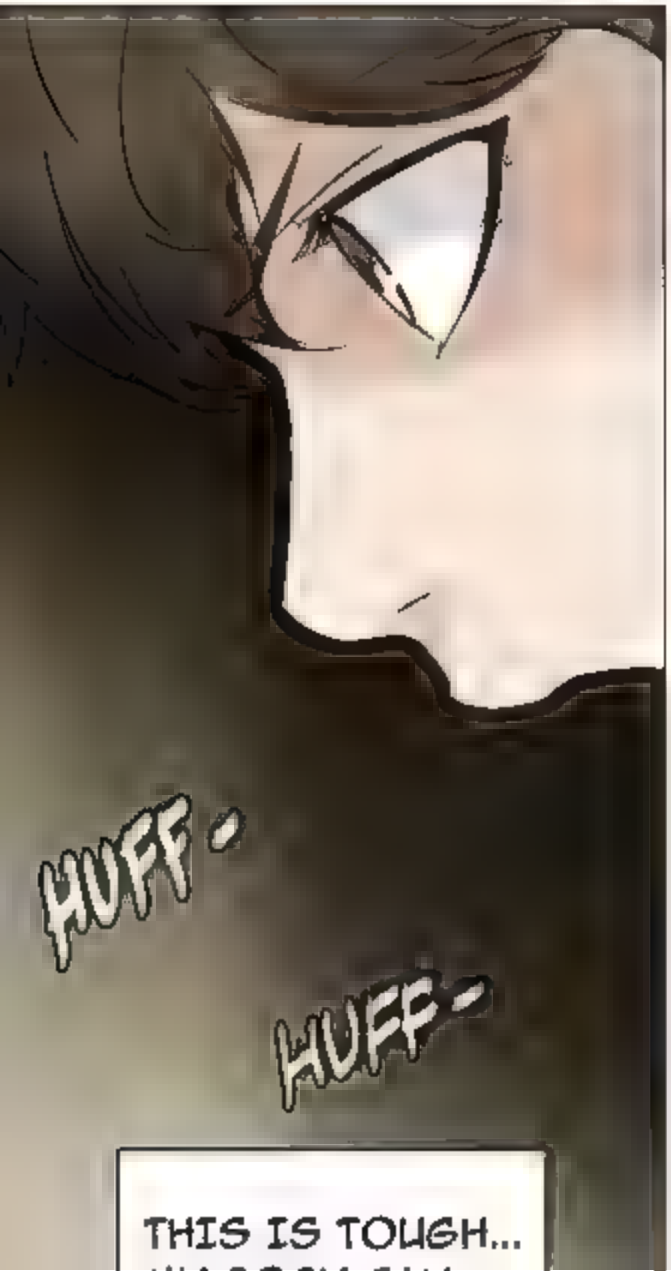
ARE THOSE EARS... THE SAME ONES AS MISS XIAXIA...?
Pick up.

I'M SORRY, BUT I CAN'T FAIL THIS TEST!
?
PHAT!
FOR THE SAKE OF MY OWN SPECIES!
I MUST BECOME A RANKER, AND BE RICH!


EVEN IF IT MEANS KILLING YOU!
I MUST GO TO THE NEXT FLOOR!

TAKE THIS!!
SHOOSH
!!
KRGH-!

Pfft-


HUFF -
HUFF -
THIS IS TOUGH...

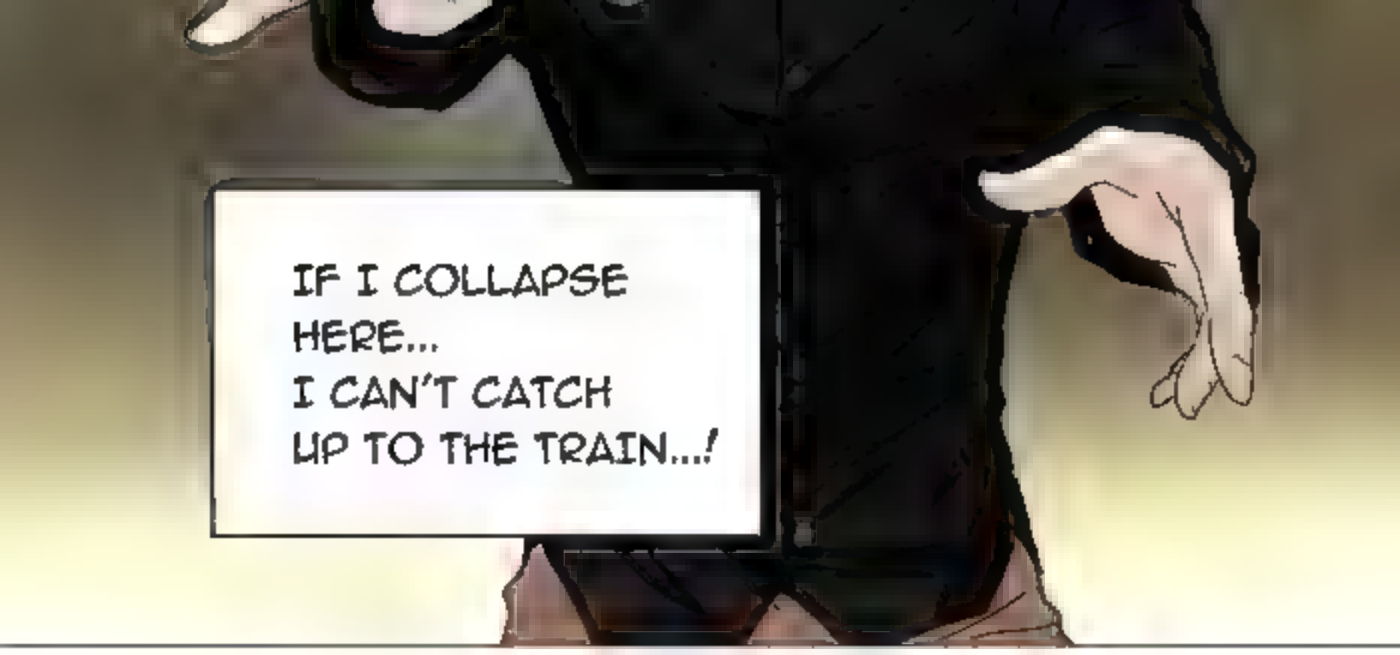
STILL...
HUFF -

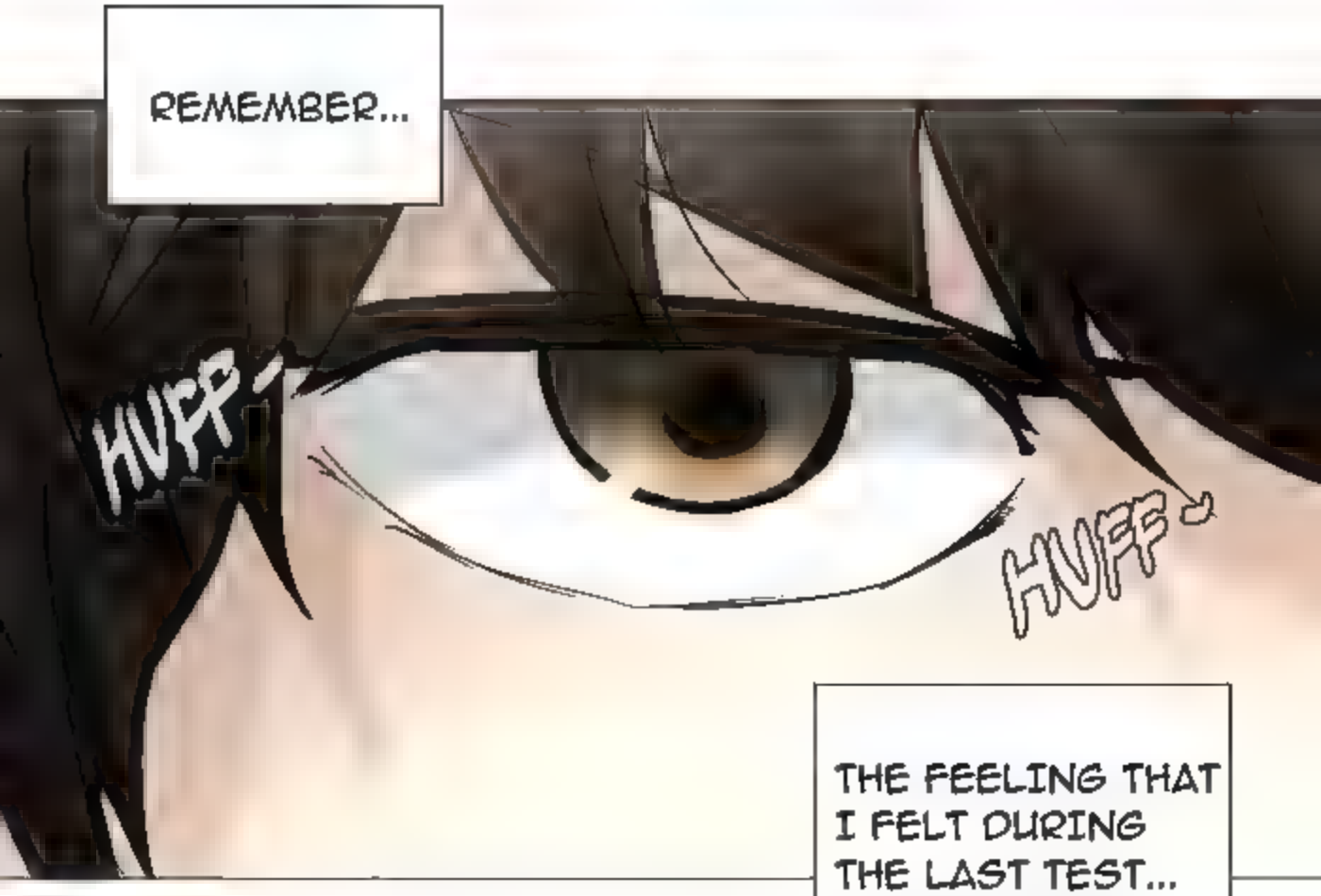
MY BODY CAN FEEL HARDLY ANYTHING...

I CAN'T STOP HERE...

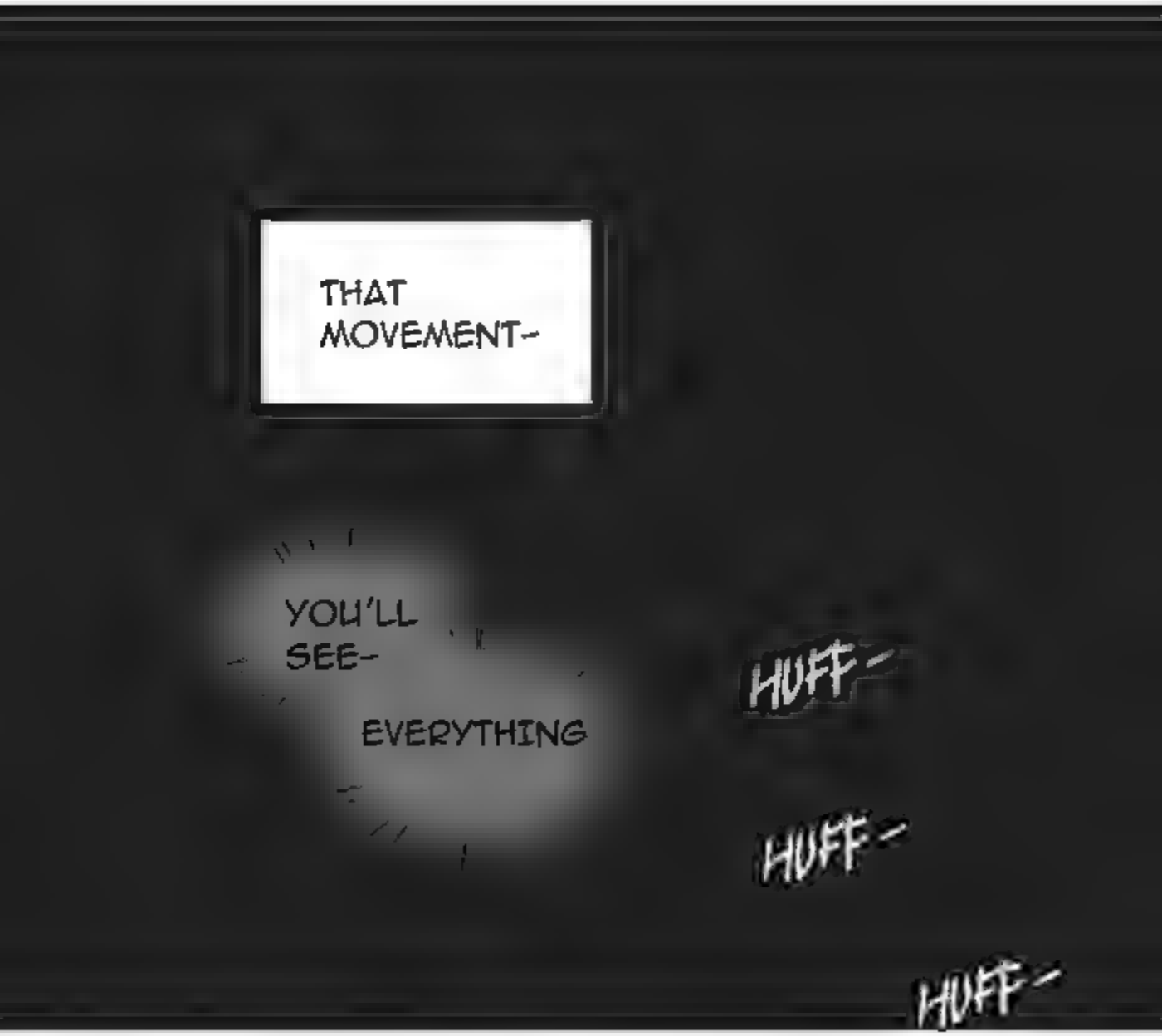
HUFF-

HUFF-

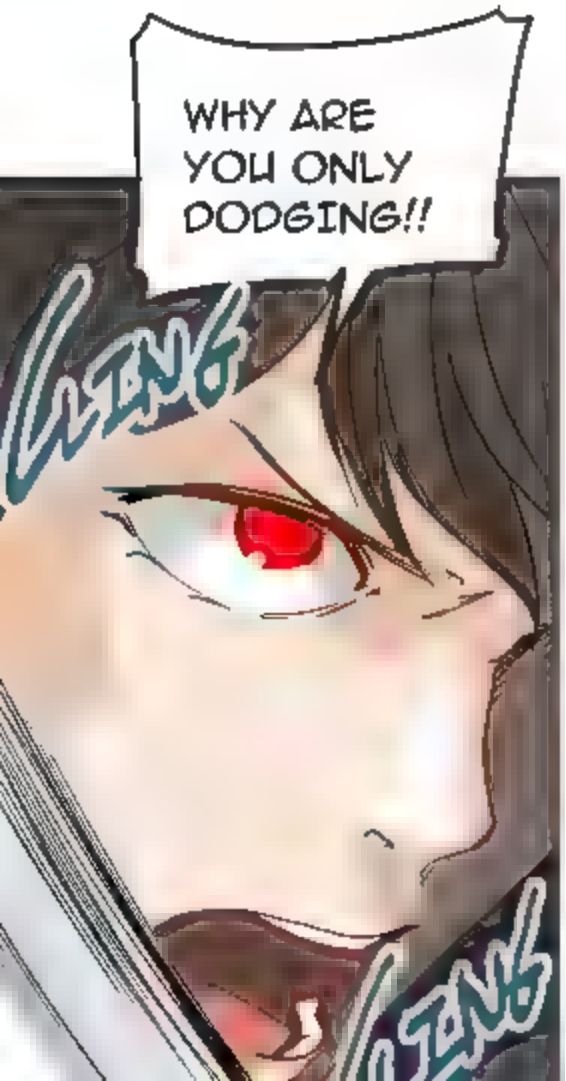

IF I COLLAPSE HERE...
I CAN'T CATCH UP TO THE TRAIN...!


REMEMBER...
HUFF~
HUFF~
THE FEELING THAT I FELT DURING THE LAST TEST... A MONTH AGO...

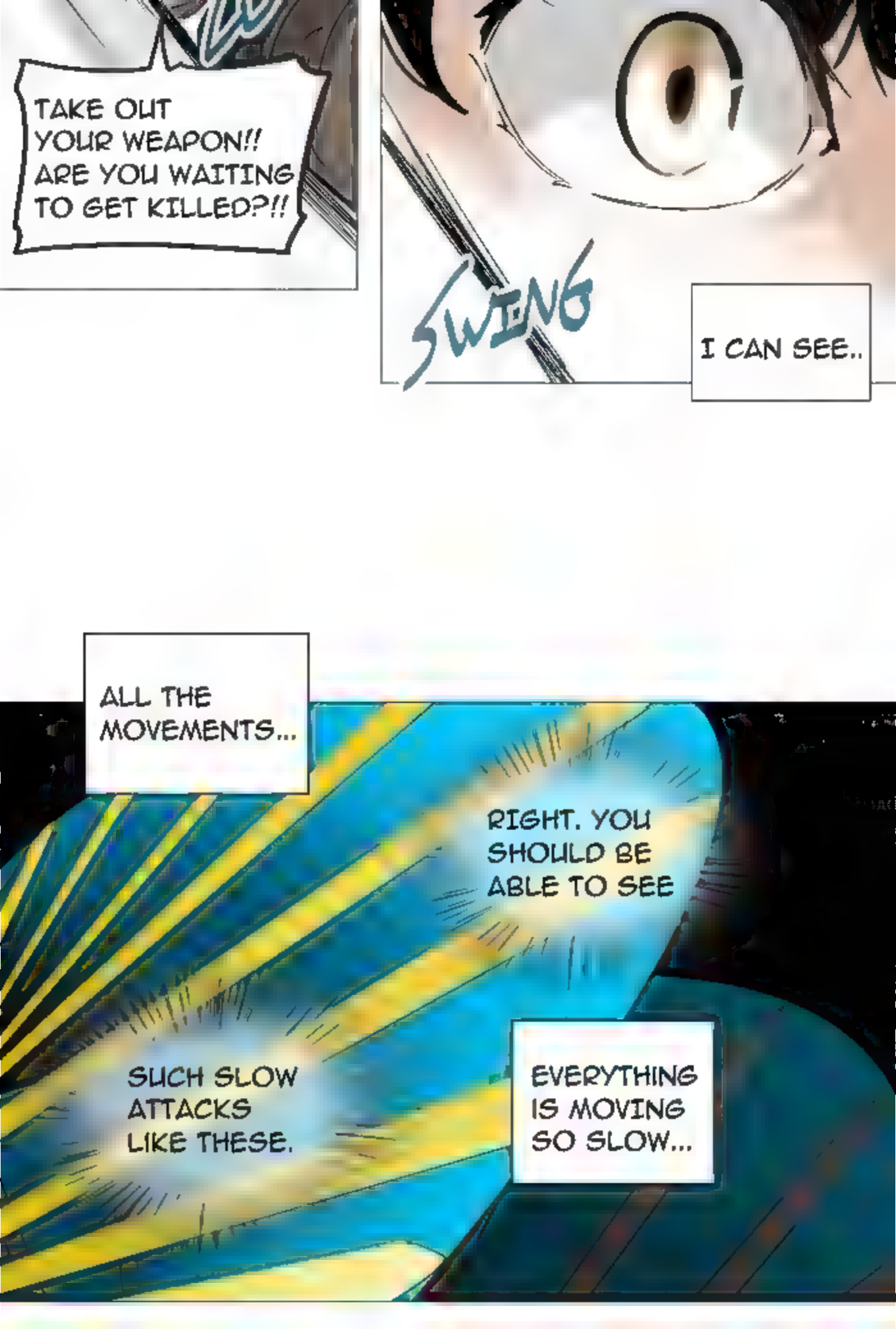
THAT SOUND-


THAT MOVEMENT-
YOU'LL SEE-
EVERYTHING
HUFF-
HUFF-
HUFF-

SWISH
CLINK
CLANK
CLANK


WHY ARE YOU ONLY DODGING!!
CLING
CLING

WOOSH
.....
SWOOSH


TAKE OUT YOUR WEAPON!! ARE YOU WAITING TO GET KILLED?!!
SWING
I CAN SEE..
ALL THE MOVEMENTS...
RIGHT. YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO SEE
SUCH SLOW ATTACKS LIKE THESE.
EVERYTHING IS MOVING SO SLOW...

AND
THERE IS
AN OPENING-!

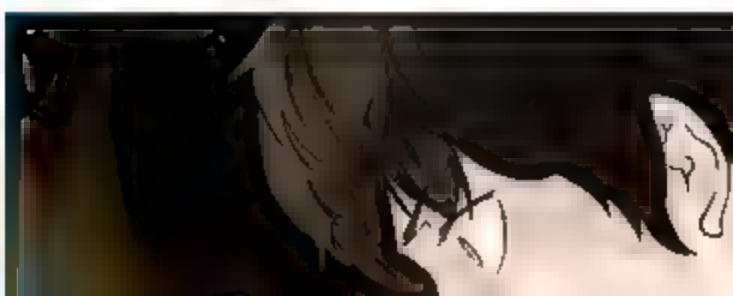
WHIR

RUMBLE

WHER-
WHER-
!!

Boom
KYAK-!!

SHOOSH



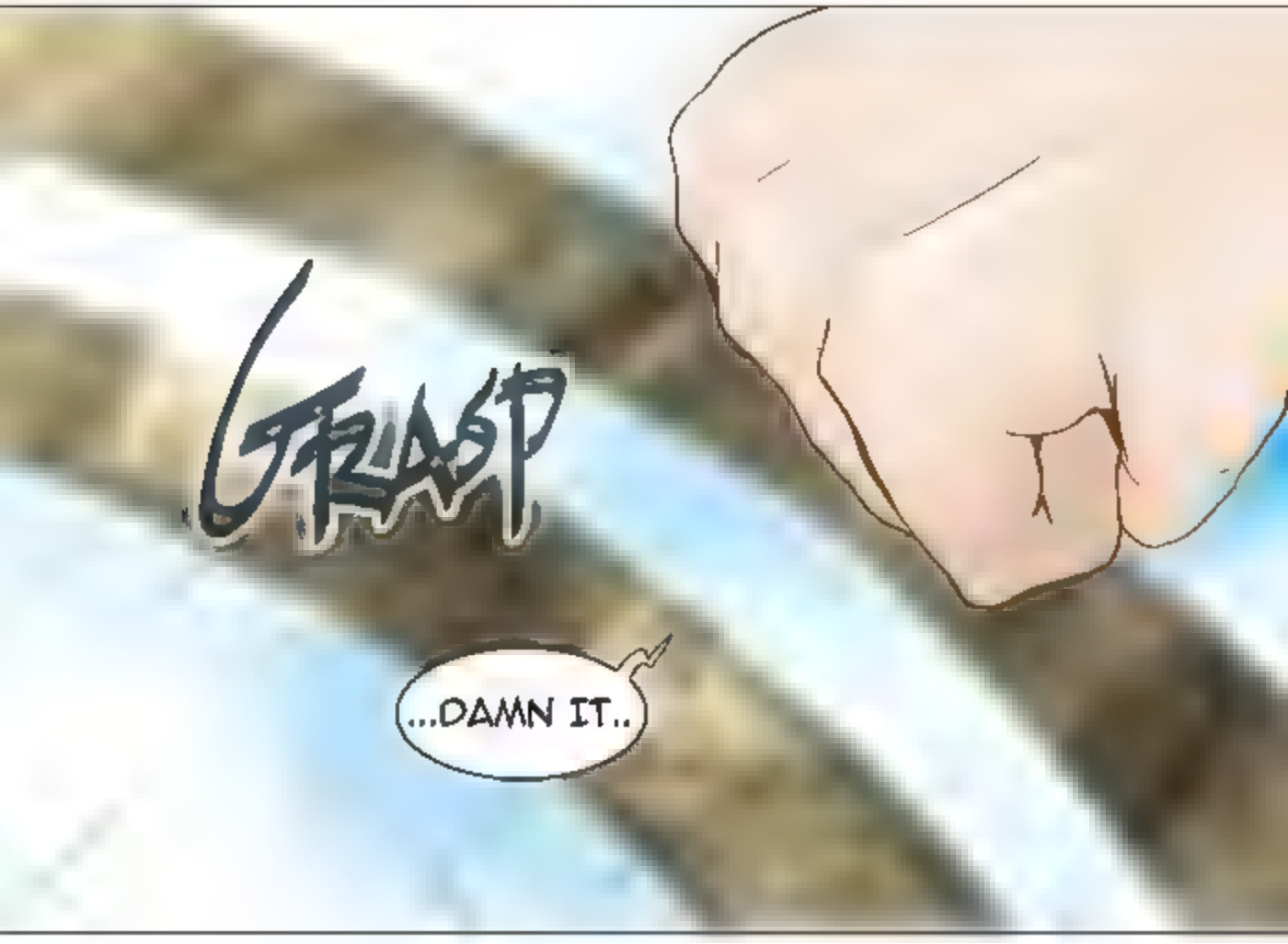
HUFF-

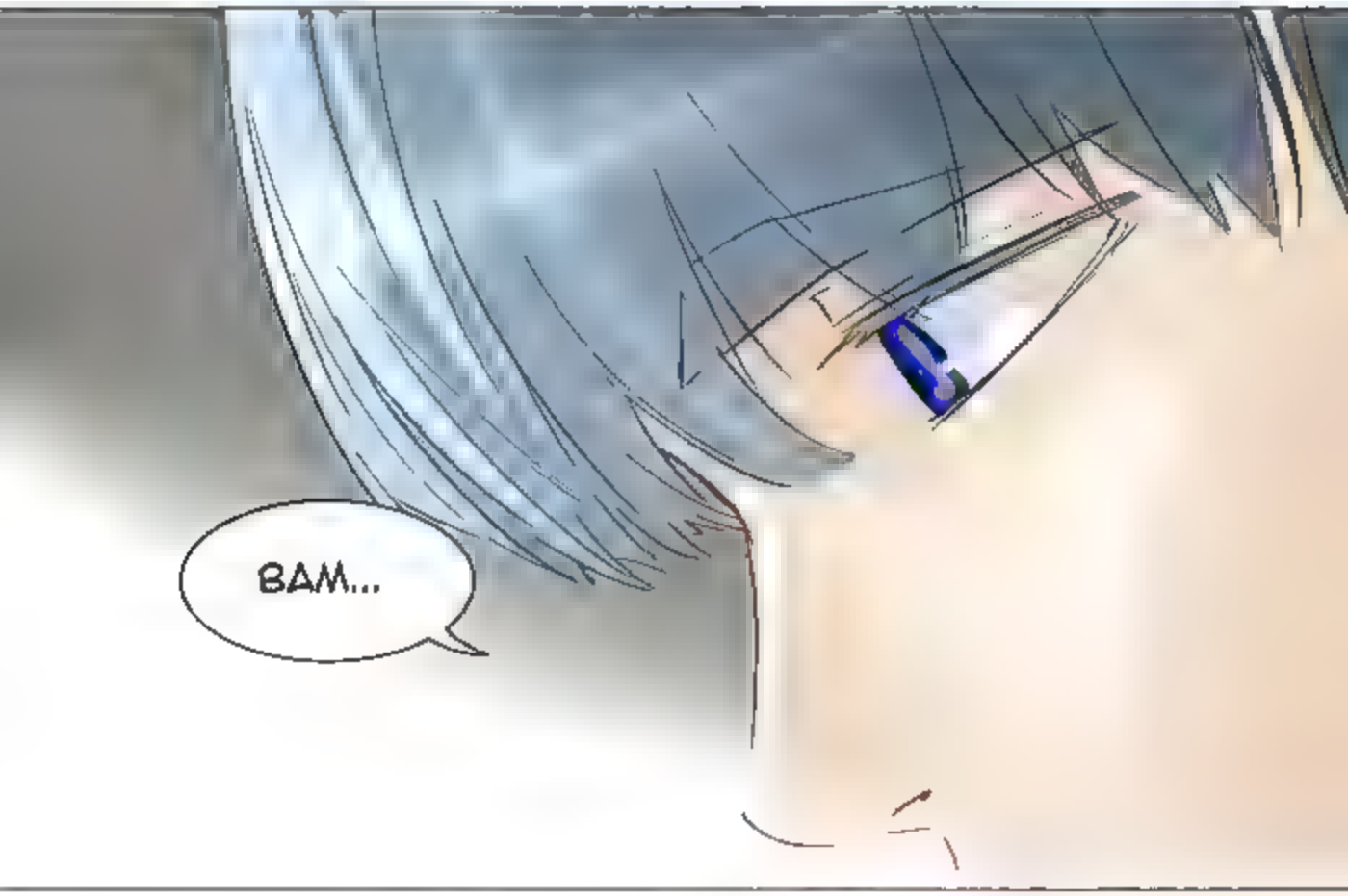
HUFF-

HUFF-

.....BAM.

CLANK

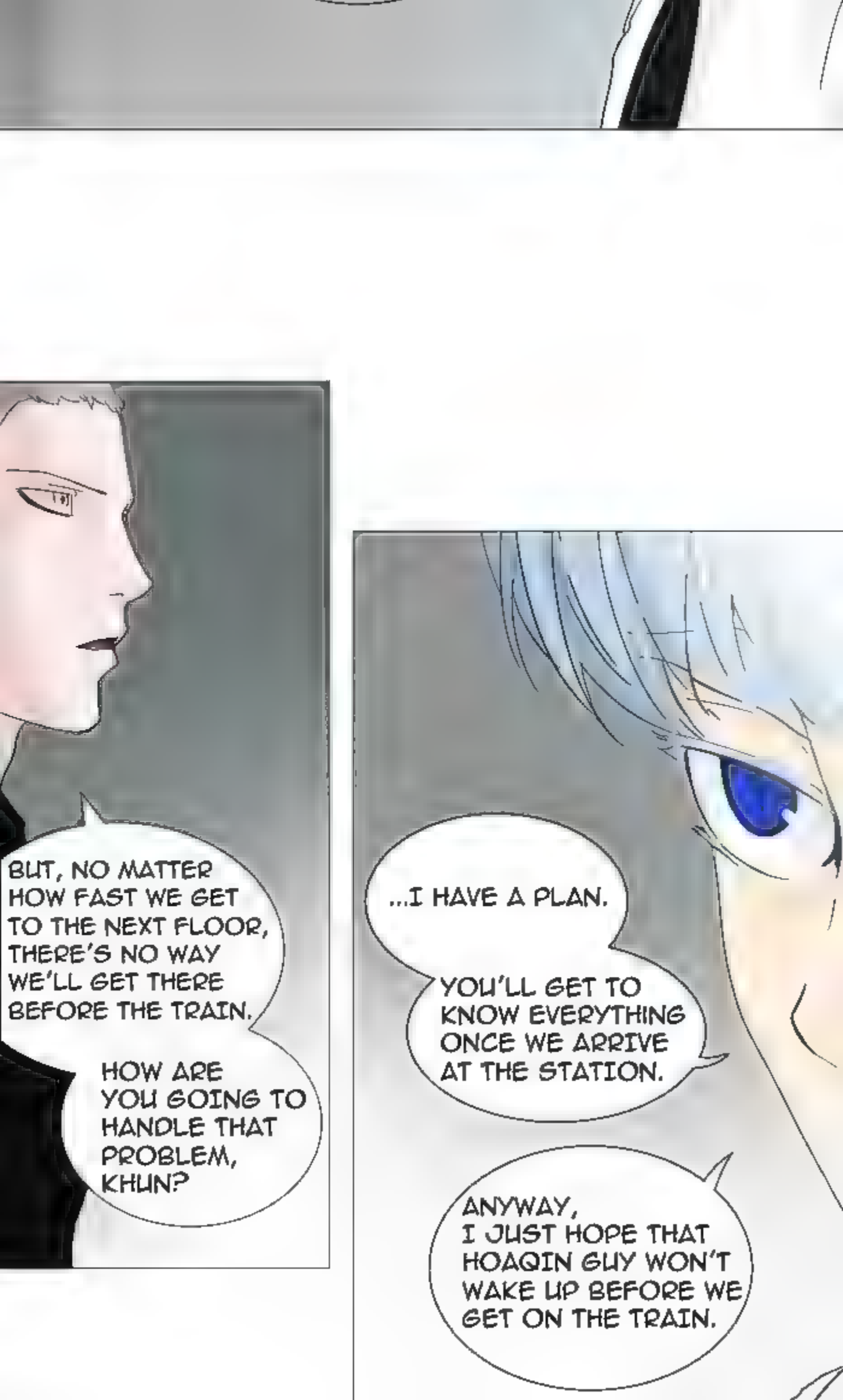

GRASP
...DAMN IT..


BAM...

HE ENDED UP LOSING CONSCIOUSNESS AGAIN...
MAYBE HE'S BEEN PUSHING HIMSELF TOO MUCH... ALL BY HIMSELF...

DAMN IT..
WE ALSO TRIED OUR BEST.
HE'S JUST OVER-REACTING...

HMPH... IT'S BECAUSE YOU TURTLES ARE ALL SO USELESS!!
....HE CAN'T HELP IT.
EVER SINCE WE LEFT TRAIN CITY, HE SEEMS TO HAVE THE PRESSURE TO GO UP THE TOWER FASTER.
AT THIS RATE, HE'S GOING TO BE EXHAUSTED EVEN BEFORE WE GET TO THE TRAIN...
...BUT, WE DON'T HAVE ANY TIME TO WASTE.
NOW THAT THE SITUATION HAS COME TO THIS, WE'LL HAVE TO GET ON THE TRAIN ON THE NEXT FLOOR NO MATTER WHAT.
FOR NOW, LET'S NOT THINK ABOUT... WHAT WILL COME NEXT...

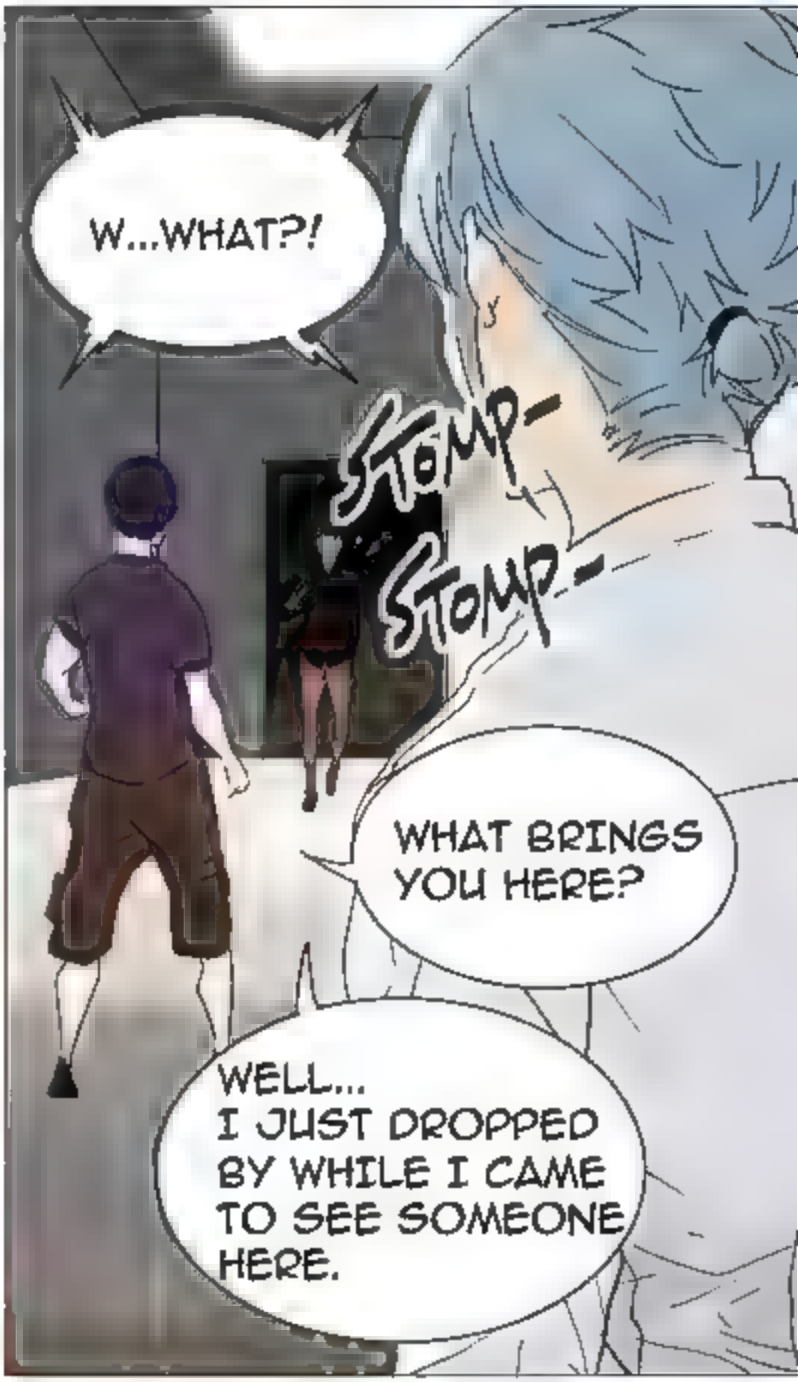

BUT, NO MATTER HOW FAST WE GET TO THE NEXT FLOOR, THERE'S NO WAY WE'LL GET THERE BEFORE THE TRAIN.
HOW ARE YOU GOING TO HANDLE THAT PROBLEM, KHUN?
...I HAVE A PLAN.
YOU'LL GET TO KNOW EVERYTHING ONCE WE ARRIVE AT THE STATION.
ANYWAY, I JUST HOPE THAT HOAQIN GUY WON'T WAKE UP BEFORE WE GET ON THE TRAIN.

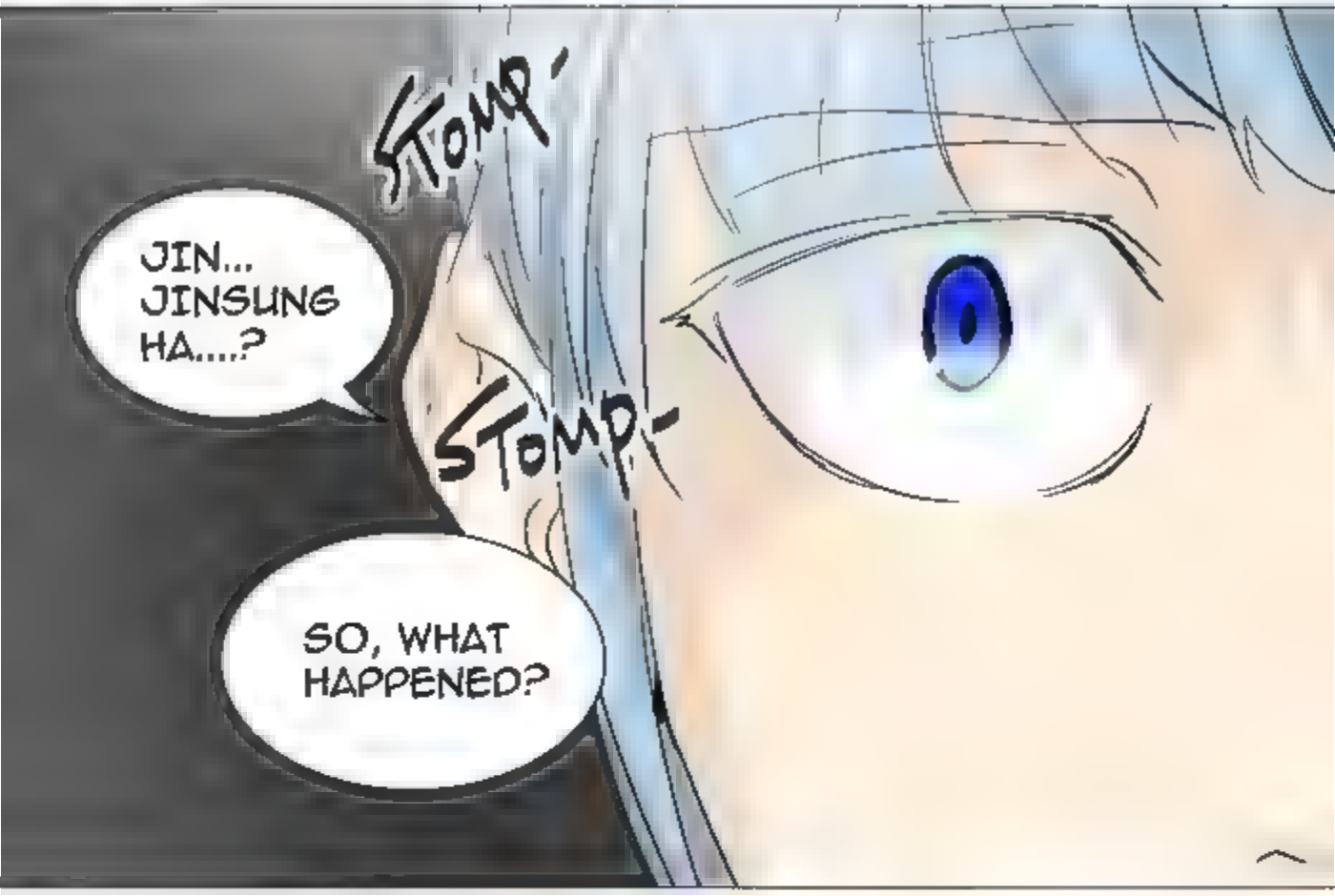
GEEZ...
MY CUTE PUPIL SEEMS TO ALWAYS BE SLEEPING WHENEVER I COME TO SEE HIM.
?

BY THE WAY....
?!
SOMEHOW, I THINK THERE ARE SOME NEW FACES AMONGST YOU GUYS...

WHAT HAPPENED?
HUH?
DUN DUN

MR...
?
WHAT?!
MR. JINSUNG HA?!


W...WHAT?!
STOMP-
STOMP-
WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?
WELL...
I JUST DROPPED BY WHILE I CAME TO SEE SOMEONE HERE.


JIN... JINSUNG HA.....?
STOMP-
STOMP-
SO, WHAT HAPPENED?

WHAT BRINGS S...SOMEONE IN SUCH A HIGH POSITION LIKE YOU...

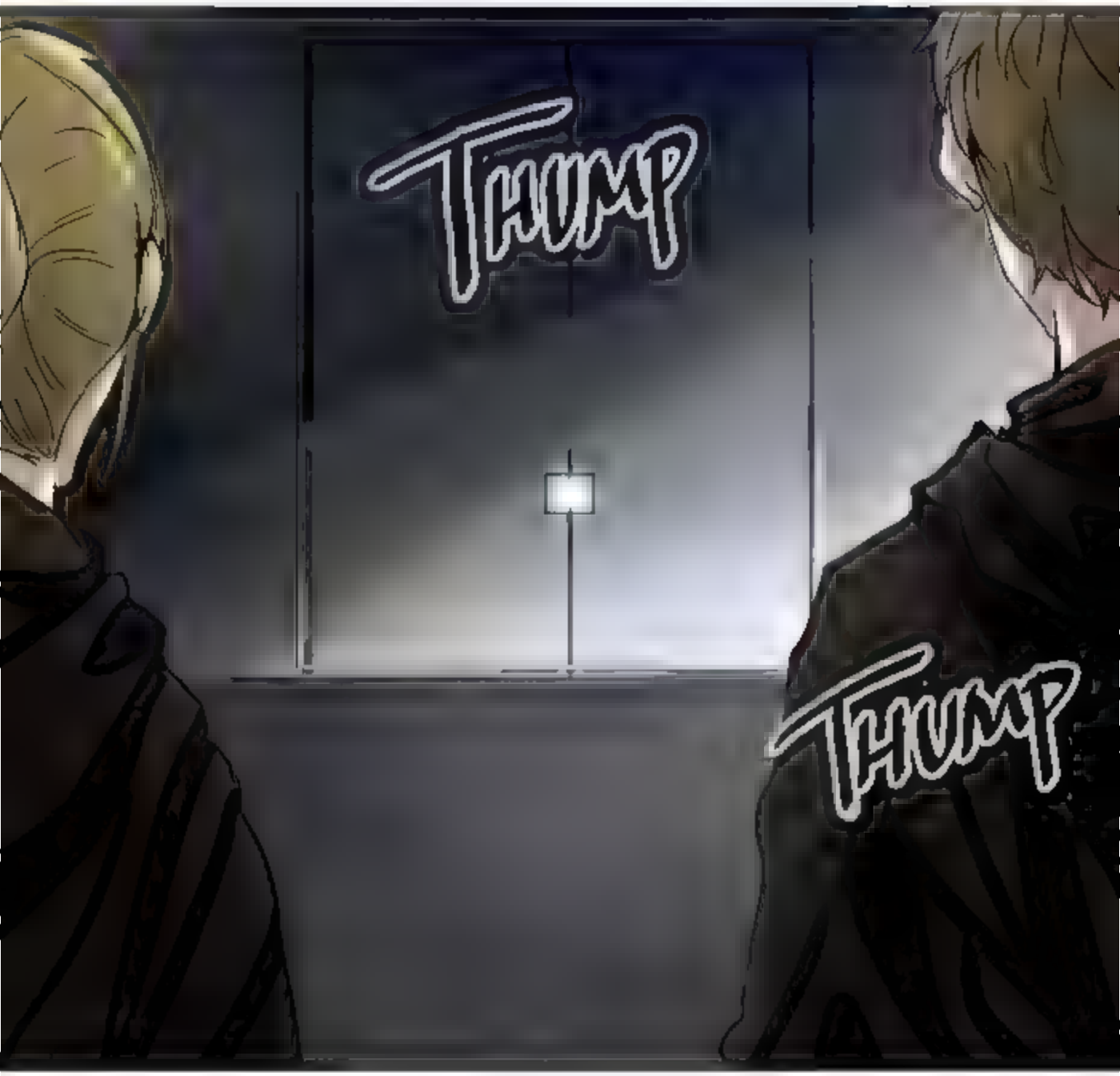
WHO DID THIS TO MY CUTE LITTLE PUPIL?

HERE..!?

THUMP

THUMP
.....

THUMP
PLEASE HANG IN THERE FOR A BIT LONGER...
HWARYUN.
THUMP
THUMP
WE'LL SAVE YOU SOON!


THUMP
THUMP

'A PART OF HIMSELF' THAT THE SLAYER NOMINEE LEFT ON THE TRAIN...
IS IT REALLY HERE?
THUMP
HOW COULD YOU FIND IT SO EASILY..?
YEAH, I'M TELLING YOU IT IS. YOU CAN TRUST ME.
BEING A QUITE METICULOUS GUY, HE DIDN'T HID HIMSELF IN ONE PLACE.
SINCE HE CONTROLS SOULS, HE SEPARATED HIS OWN PARTS, AND HID THEM HERE AND THERE ON THE TRAIN.
WELL... IF WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY CLUES, IT WOULD'VE BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO FIND HIM, BUT...
THE SEAL ON MY BODY IS TELLING ME THAT HE IS... AT THE END OF THAT PATH.
THUMP-

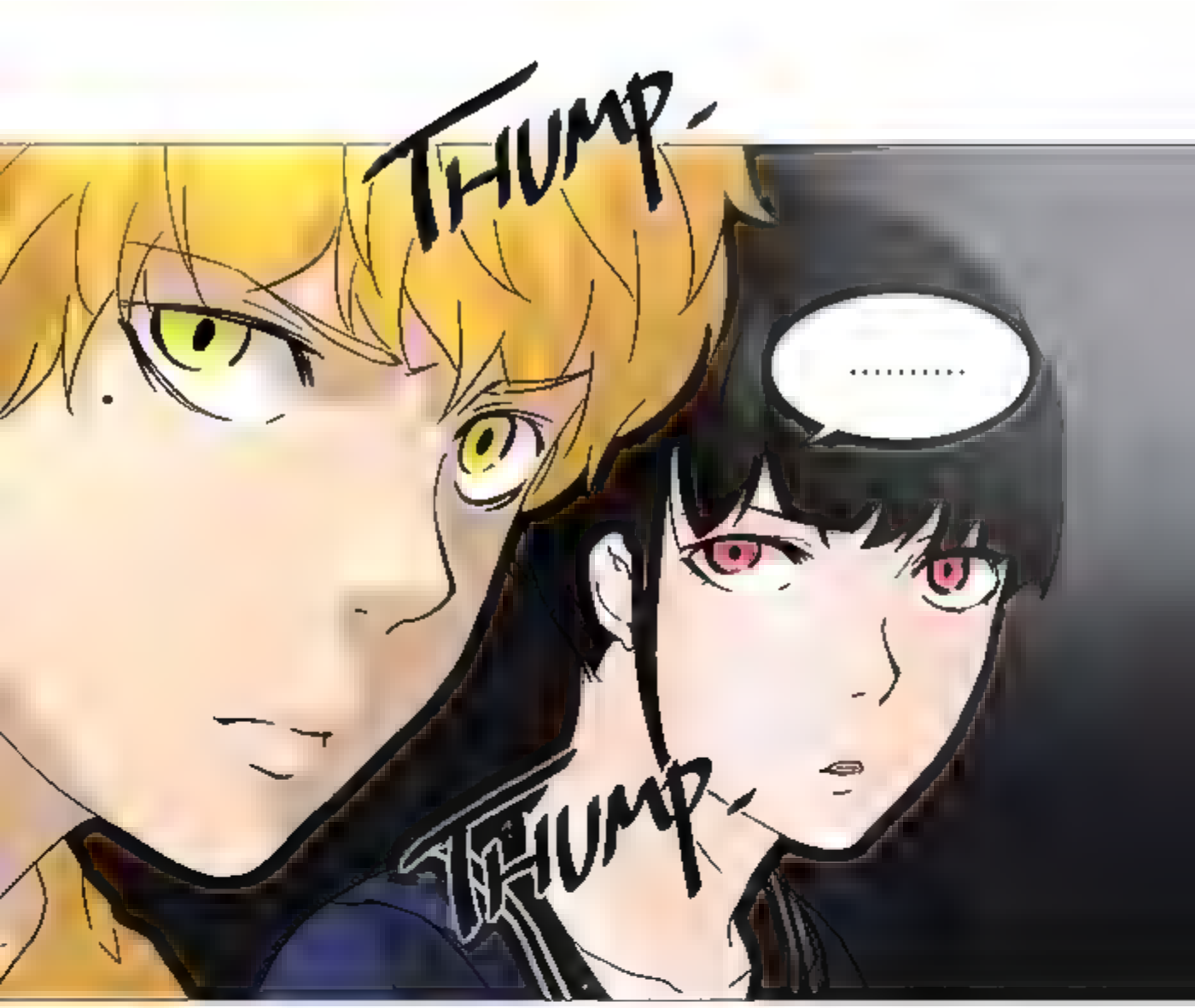
THUMP

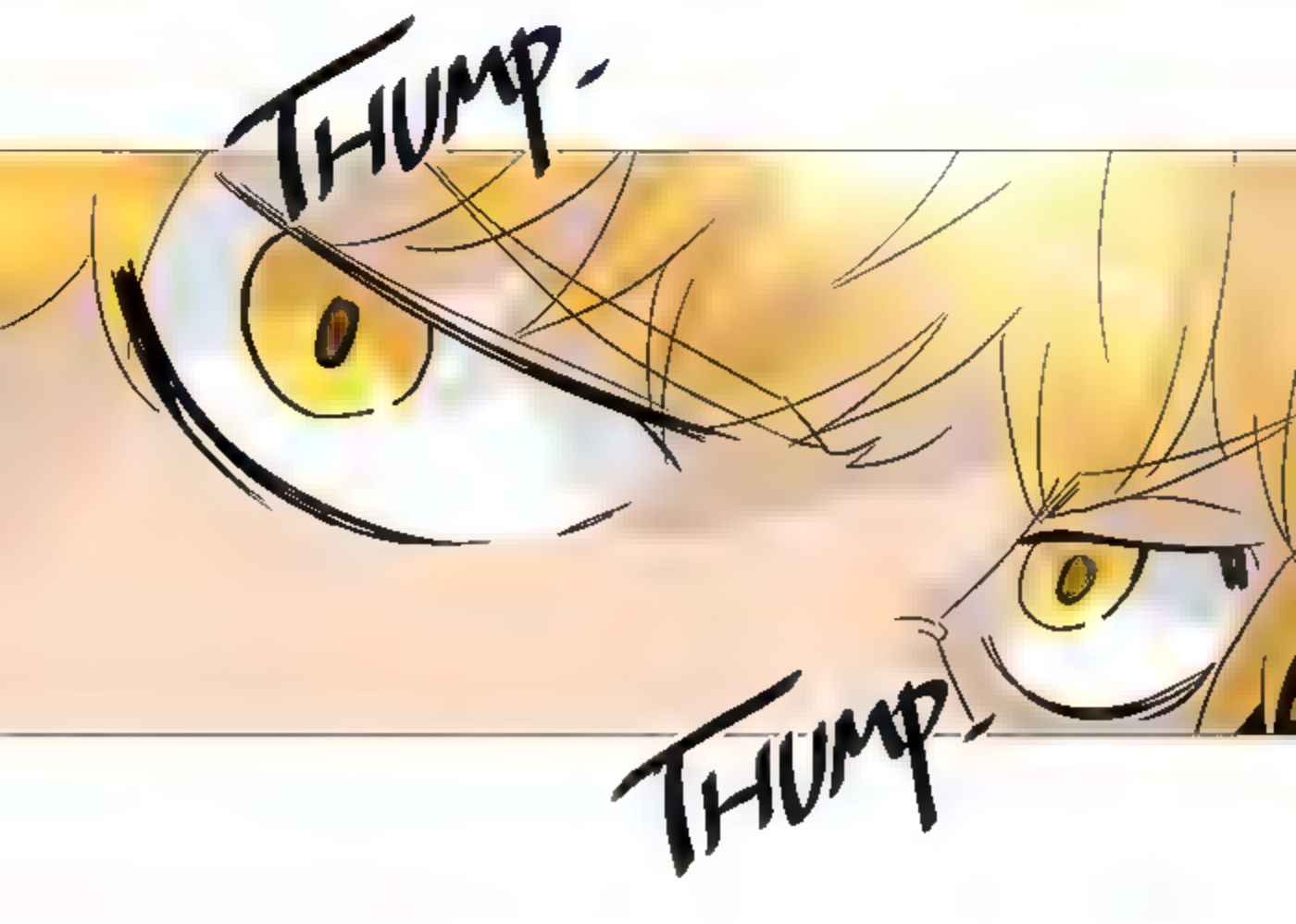
LINE Webtoon

THUMP
THUMP
.....

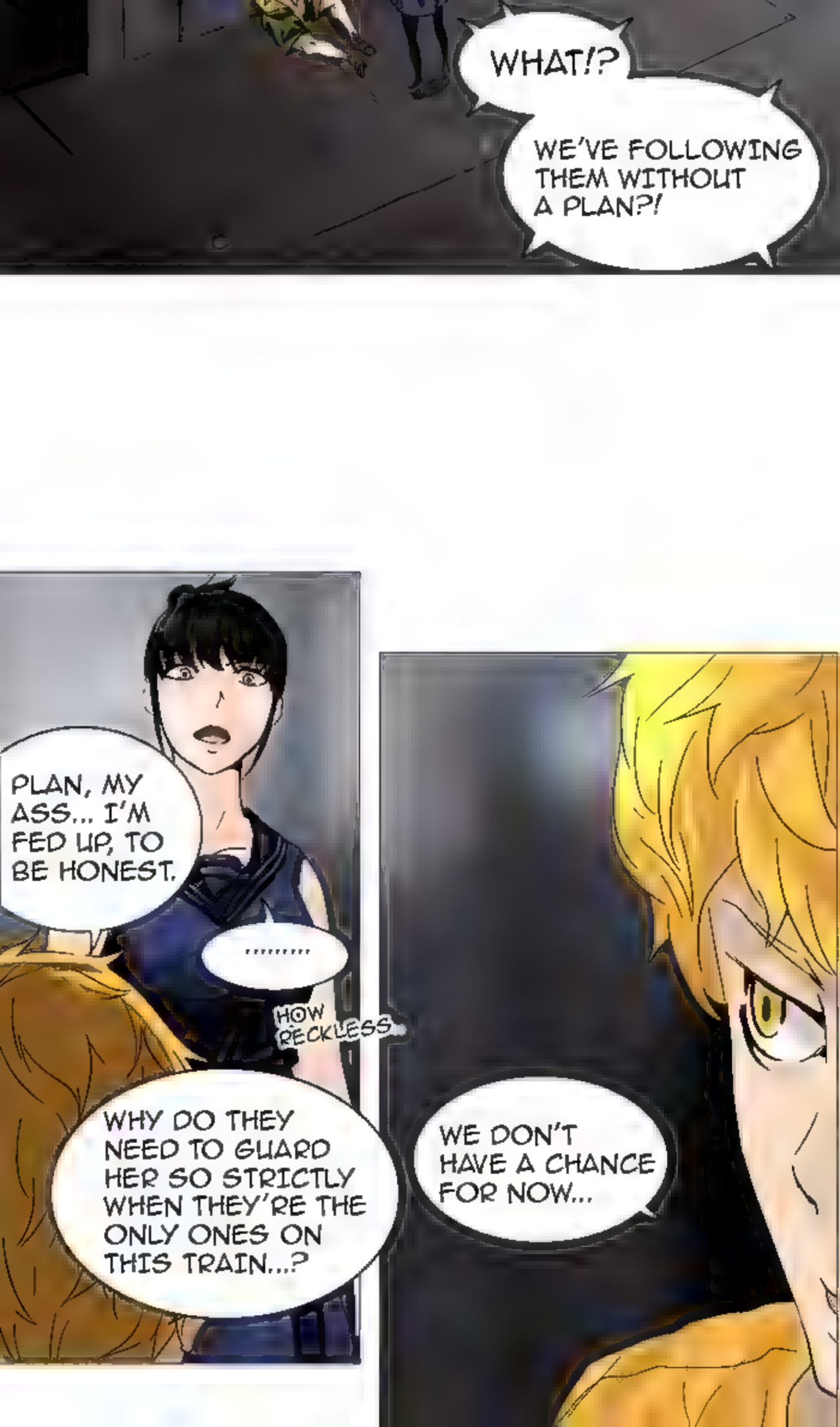
THUMP
PLEASE HANG IN THERE FOR A BIT LONGER...
HWARYUN.
THUMP-

THUMP-
WE'LL SAVE YOU SOON!


THUMP-
.....
THUMP-


THUMP-
THUMP-

THUMP-
SIGH-
...I'VE BEEN SAYING THIS FOR A WHOLE MONTH, BUT..
HOW ARE WE GOING TO SAVE HER FROM THOSE GUYS...?


WHAT!?
WE'VE FOLLOWING THEM WITHOUT A PLAN?!
PLAN, MY ASS... I'M FED UP, TO BE HONEST.
.....
HOW RECKLESS...
WHY DO THEY NEED TO GUARD HER SO STRICTLY WHEN THEY'RE THE ONLY ONES ON THIS TRAIN...?
WE DON'T HAVE A CHANCE FOR NOW...

WHAT'S MORE, I THINK THEY'RE MOVING FORWARD A LOT FASTER THAN I EXPECTED.
AS IF THEY HAVE SOME KIND OF PATH OR PURPOSE THEY HAVE READY...

AFTER FOLLOWING THEM FOR A MONTH, I'VE LEARNED A FEW THINGS.

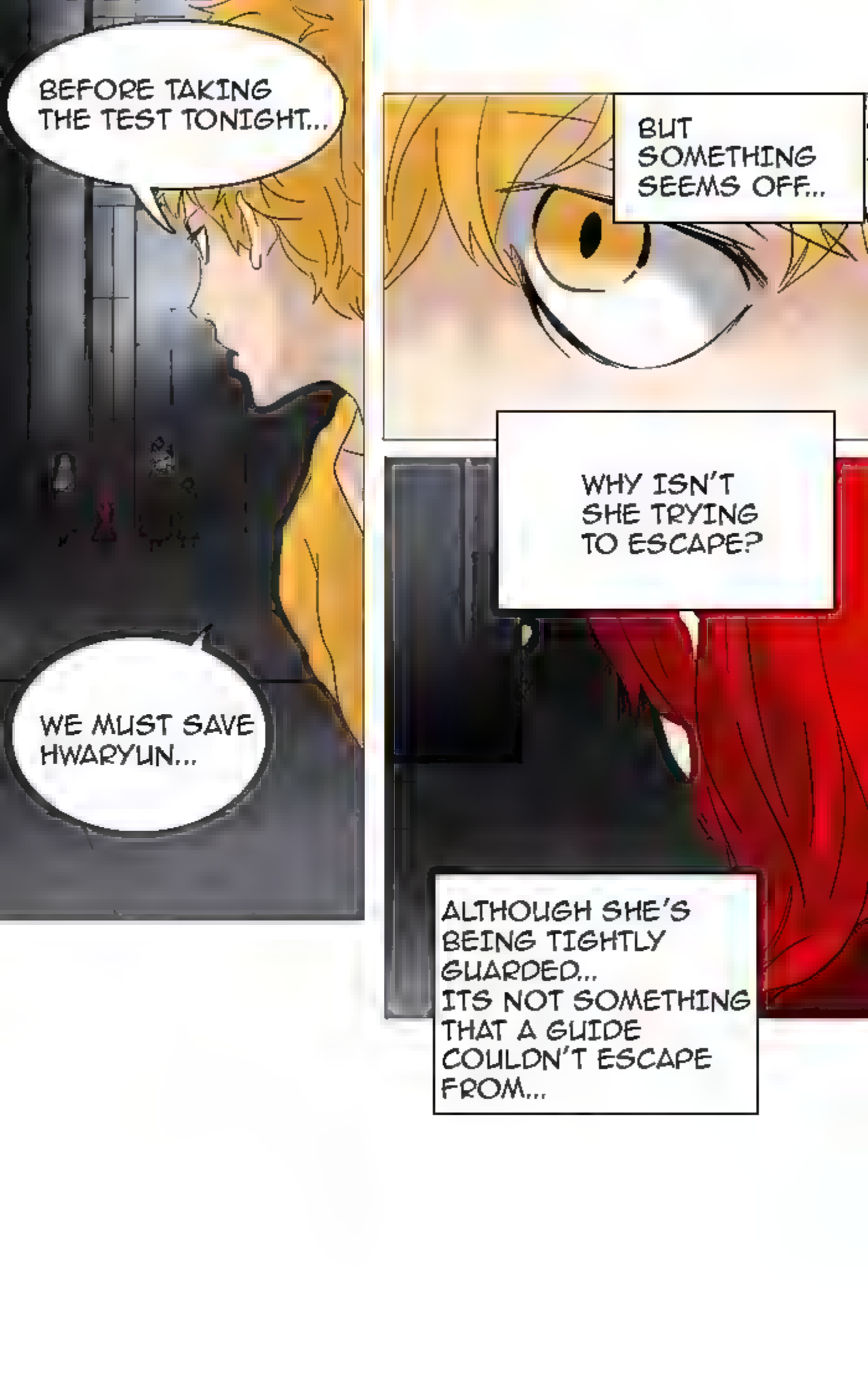
THERE IS DAY AND NIGHT OF ITS OWN IN THIS TRAIN.

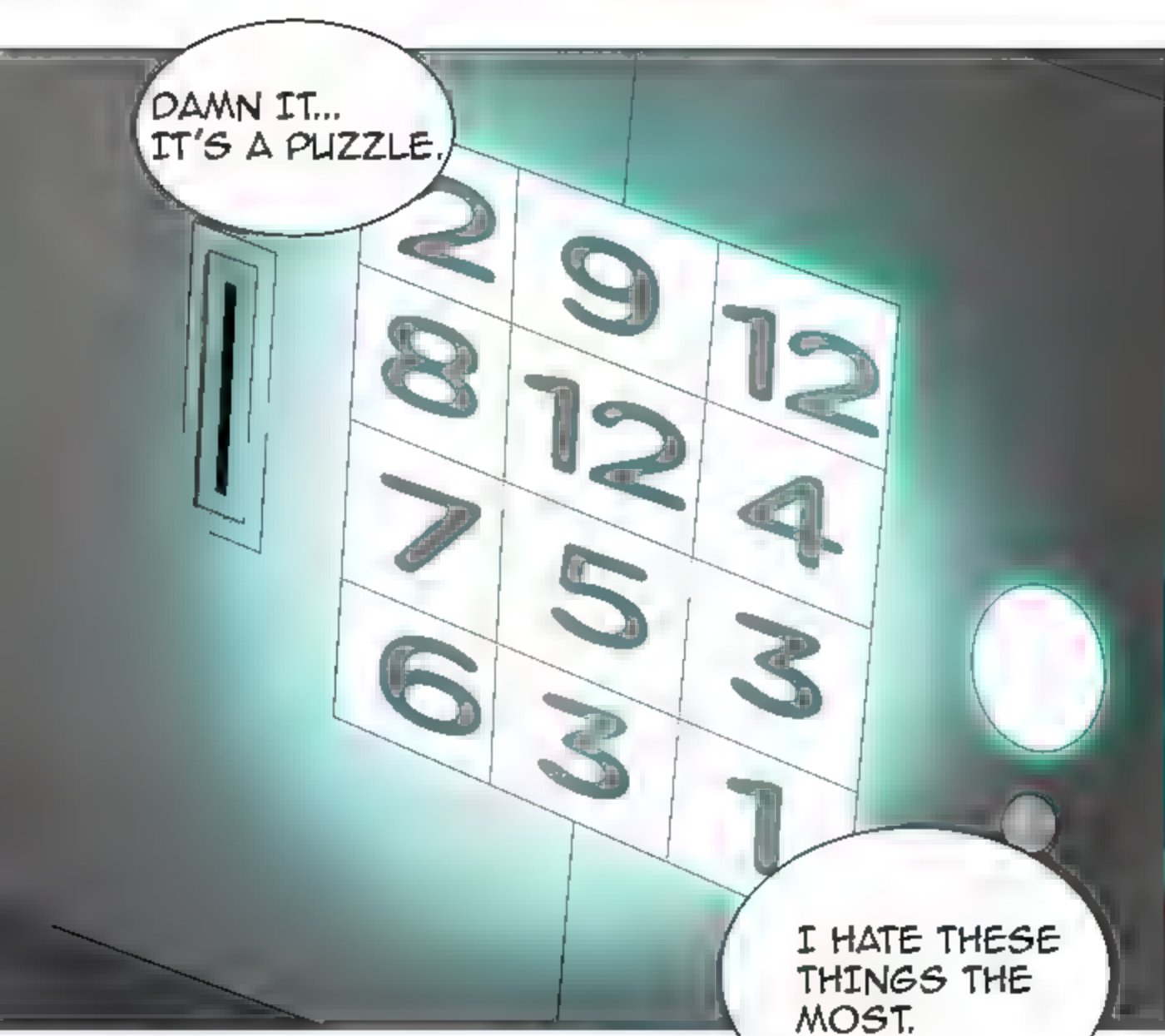
AT NIGHT, THERE ARE MONSTROUS GUYS EVERYWHERE, BUT IT'S SO PEACEFUL DURING DAY TIME.

YOU'RE ALLOWED TO STAY ON THE TRAIN ONLY IF YOU PASS THROUGH A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF SECTIONS EACH DAY.

AND IF YOU MANAGE TO SPEND TEN NIGHTS LIKE THAT, YOU GET TO A CERTAIN PLACE WHERE YOU HAVE TO TAKE A TEST TO PROCEED TO THE NEXT FLOOR.

THE TRAIN IS PROBABLY PASSING BY THE 36TH FLOOR NOW.
I'M NOT SURE IF WE ARE AT THE MIDDLE AREA OR INNER TOWER...
BUT, I'M CERTAIN THAT WE MUST PASS A TEST BY TONIGHT BEFORE THE TRAIN MOVES ON TO THE NEXT FLOOR...
WE WERE OKAY 'CAUSE WE'VE BEEN FOLLOWING THOSE GUYS TILL NOW, BUT...


BEFORE TAKING THE TEST TONIGHT...
WE MUST SAVE HWARYUN...
BUT SOMETHING SEEMS OFF...
WHY ISN'T SHE TRYING TO ESCAPE?
ALTHOUGH SHE'S BEING TIGHTLY GUARDED... ITS NOT SOMETHING THAT A GUIDE COULDN'T ESCAPE FROM...



NUMBERS ADDED FROM THE TOP LEFT TO THE BOTTOM RIGHT SHOULD EACH HAVE THE SAME SUM...

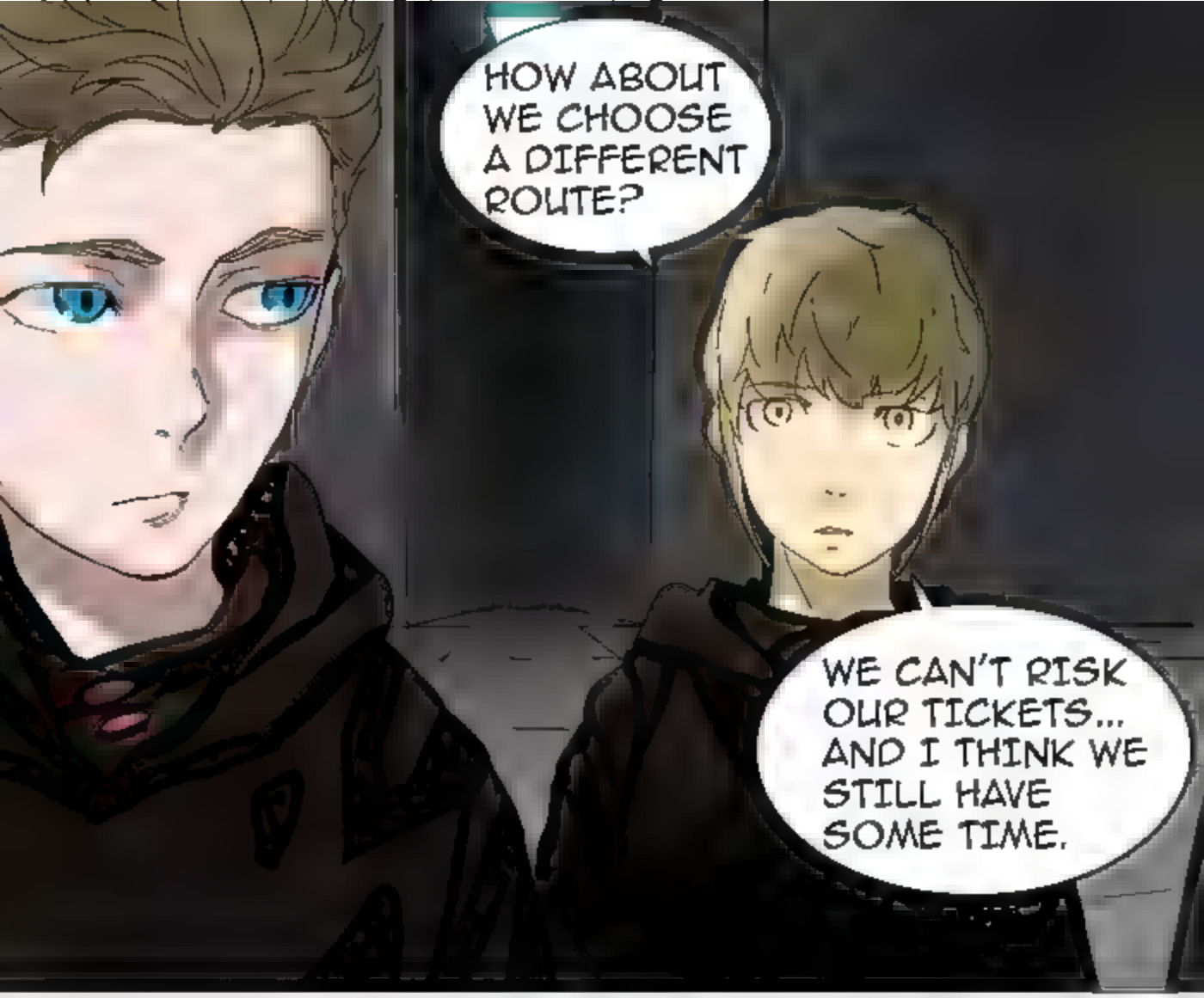
YOU CAN ONLY MOVE THE NUMBERS THREE TIMES...?

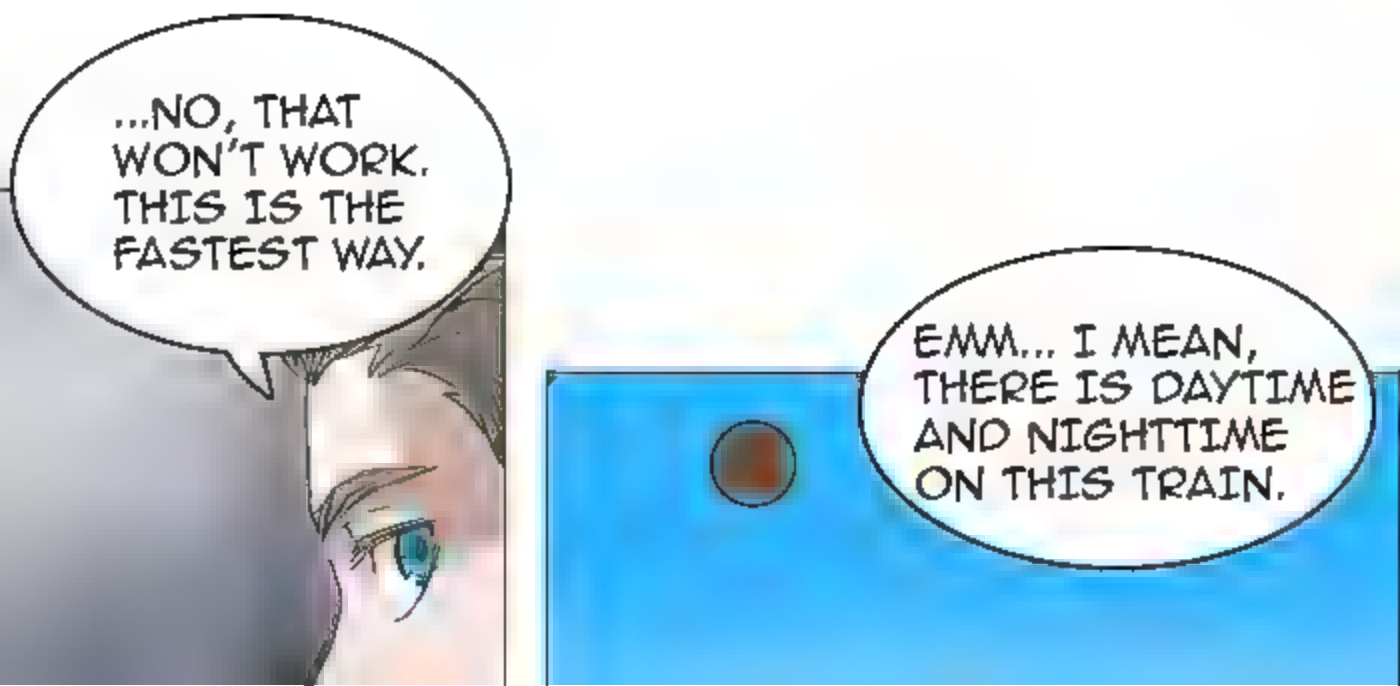
WE MUST DO IT WITHIN FIVE MINUTES, AND IF WE FAIL, ONE OF OUR TICKETS WILL BE TAKEN AWAY... WHAT THE HELL...?

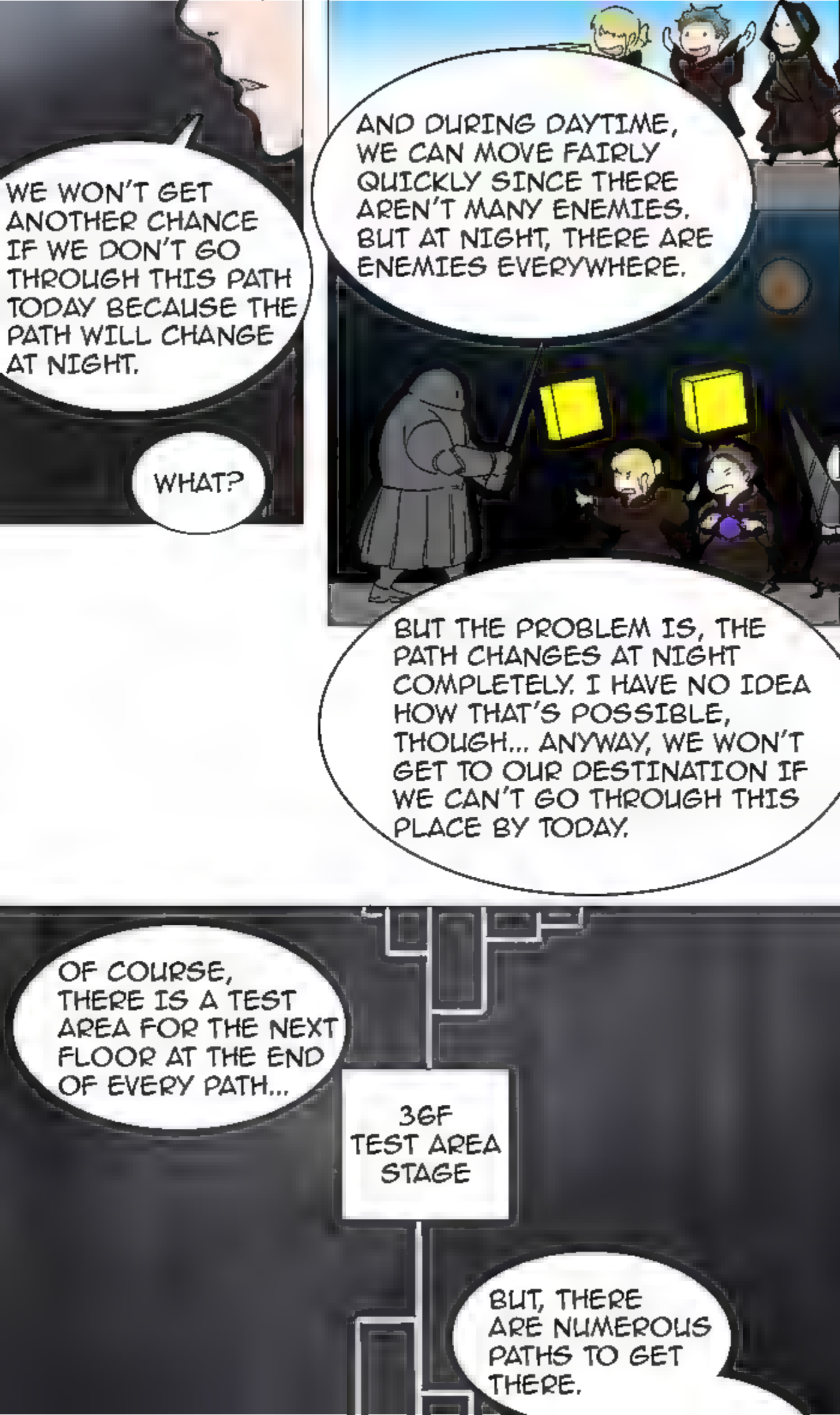
DAMN IT..

THE ONLY WAY OF GETTING TO HIM IS TO SOLVE THIS...

IF WE FAIL, WE CAN'T GET TO OUR DESTINATION ON THIS FLOOR.


HOW ABOUT WE CHOOSE A DIFFERENT ROUTE?
WE CAN'T RISK OUR TICKETS... AND I THINK WE STILL HAVE SOME TIME.

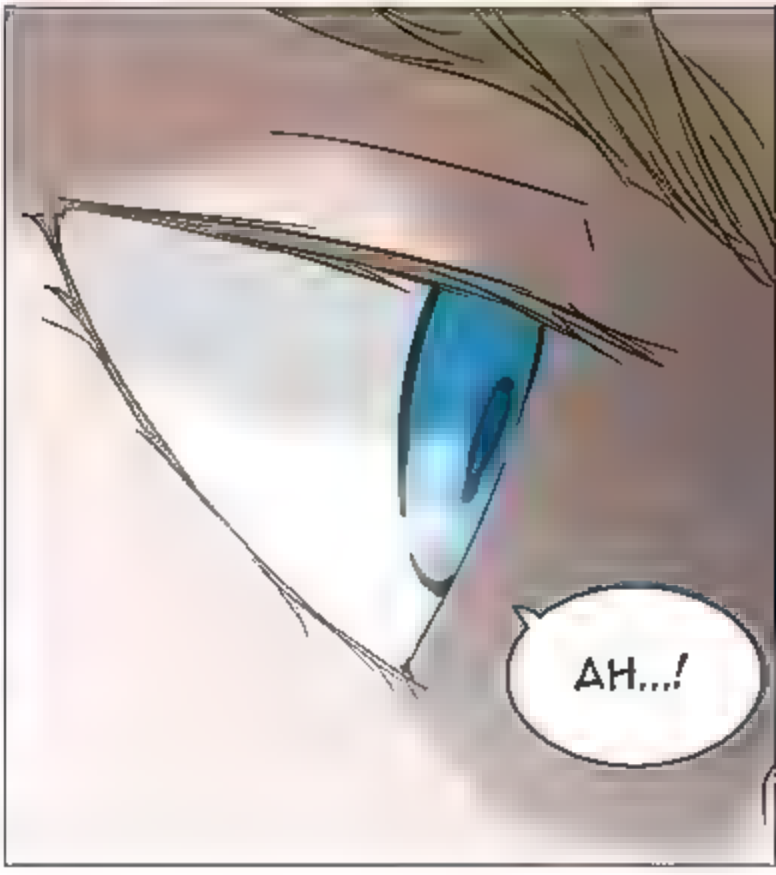

...NO, THAT WON'T WORK. THIS IS THE FASTEST WAY.
EMM... I MEAN, THERE IS DAYTIME AND NIGHTTIME ON THIS TRAIN.


WE WON'T GET ANOTHER CHANCE IF WE DON'T GO THROUGH THIS PATH TODAY BECAUSE THE PATH WILL CHANGE AT NIGHT.
WHAT?
AND DURING DAYTIME, WE CAN MOVE FAIRLY QUICKLY SINCE THERE AREN'T MANY ENEMIES. BUT AT NIGHT, THERE ARE ENEMIES EVERYWHERE.
BUT THE PROBLEM IS, THE PATH CHANGES AT NIGHT COMPLETELY. I HAVE NO IDEA HOW THAT'S POSSIBLE, THOUGH... ANYWAY, WE WON'T GET TO OUR DESTINATION IF WE CAN'T GO THROUGH THIS PLACE BY TODAY.
OF COURSE, THERE IS A TEST AREA FOR THE NEXT FLOOR AT THE END OF EVERY PATH...
36F TEST AREA STAGE
BUT, THERE ARE NUMEROUS PATHS TO GET THERE.

AND THAT'S WHAT'S SCARY ABOUT THIS TRAIN.
THERE IS AN UNLIMITED NUMBER OF...
SECRETS ON THIS TRAIN...

ANYWAYS~ WE MUST PASS THIS PLACE IN ORDER TO MEET HOAQIN!
DAMN IT!! DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY IDEAS-?

GEEZ... LET ME THINK... DO WE HAVE ANY USEFUL GUYS HERE...?
OF COURSE EMILY WOULDN'T KNOW THE ANSWER...
EMILY ONLY ANSWERS TO THE QUESTION SHE HAS BEEN ASKED ONCE.


AH...!

IT WILL WORK IF WE USE THAT GUIDE...!

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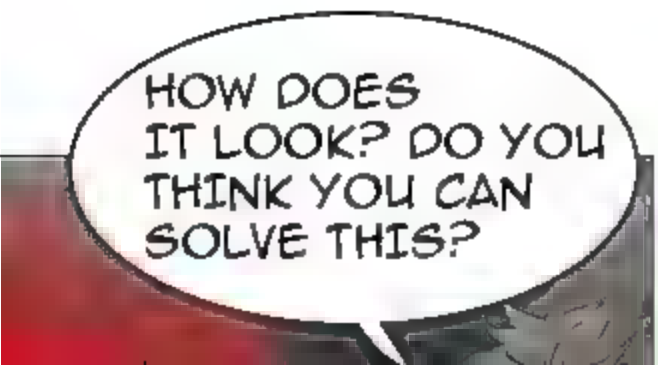
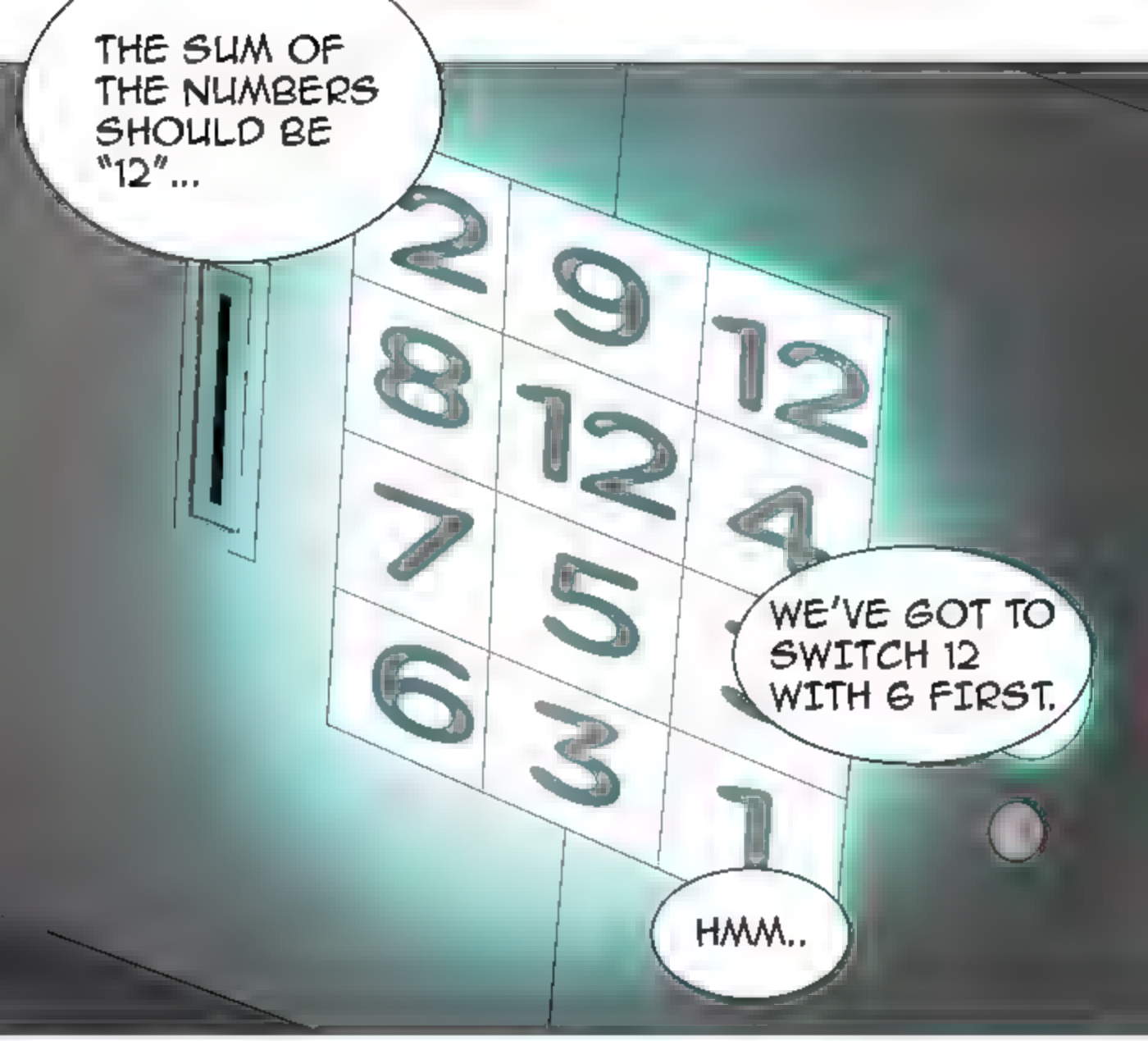
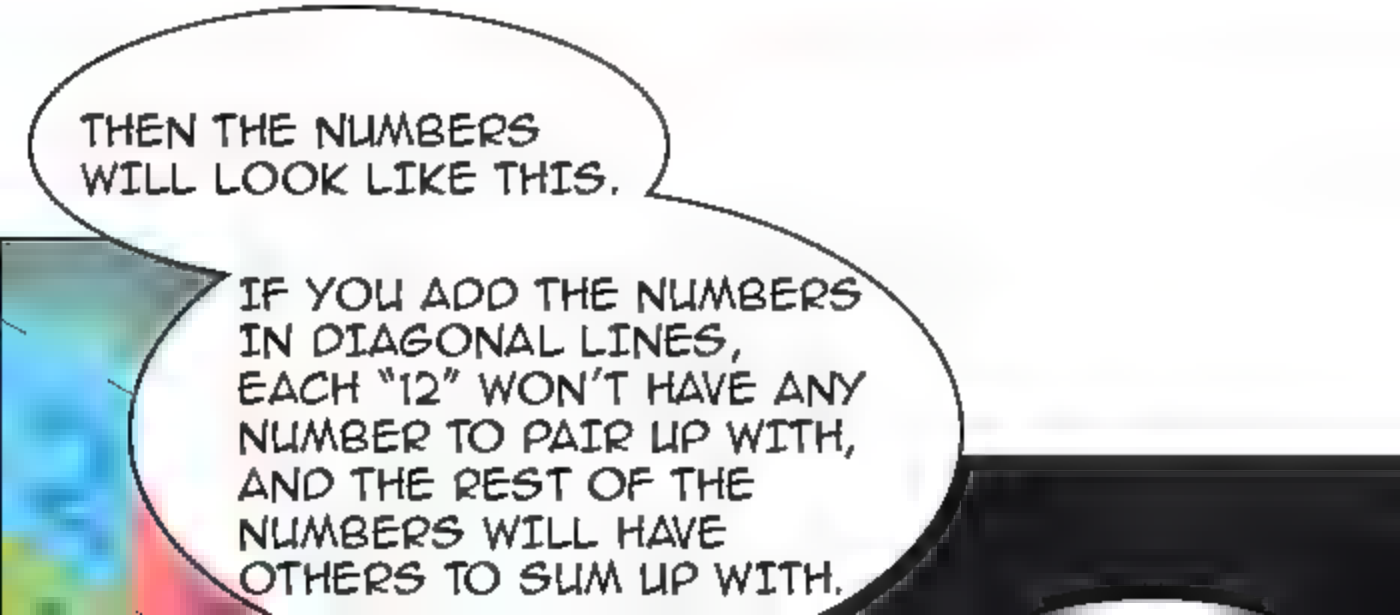

HOW DOES IT LOOK? DO YOU THINK YOU CAN SOLVE THIS?

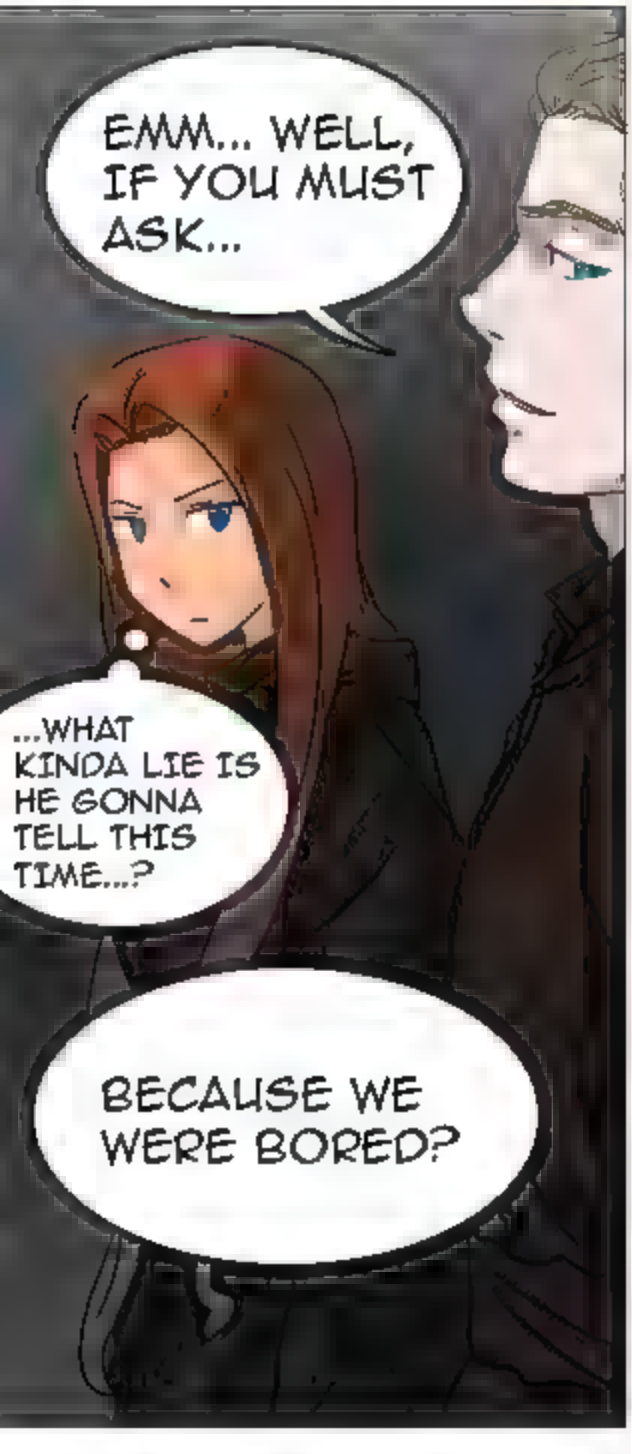
...YOU'RE PATHETIC TO EVEN ASK IF I CAN SOLVE THIS.
THIS IS SUCH A SIMPLE AND EASY PROBLEM...
WHAT...? IT'S AN EASY PROBLEM?
THAT'S RIGHT. ANYONE CAN SOLVE THIS IF YOU KNOW SIMPLE MATH.
HMPH, GUYS LIKE US NEVER LEARNED ANYTHING LIKE THAT.

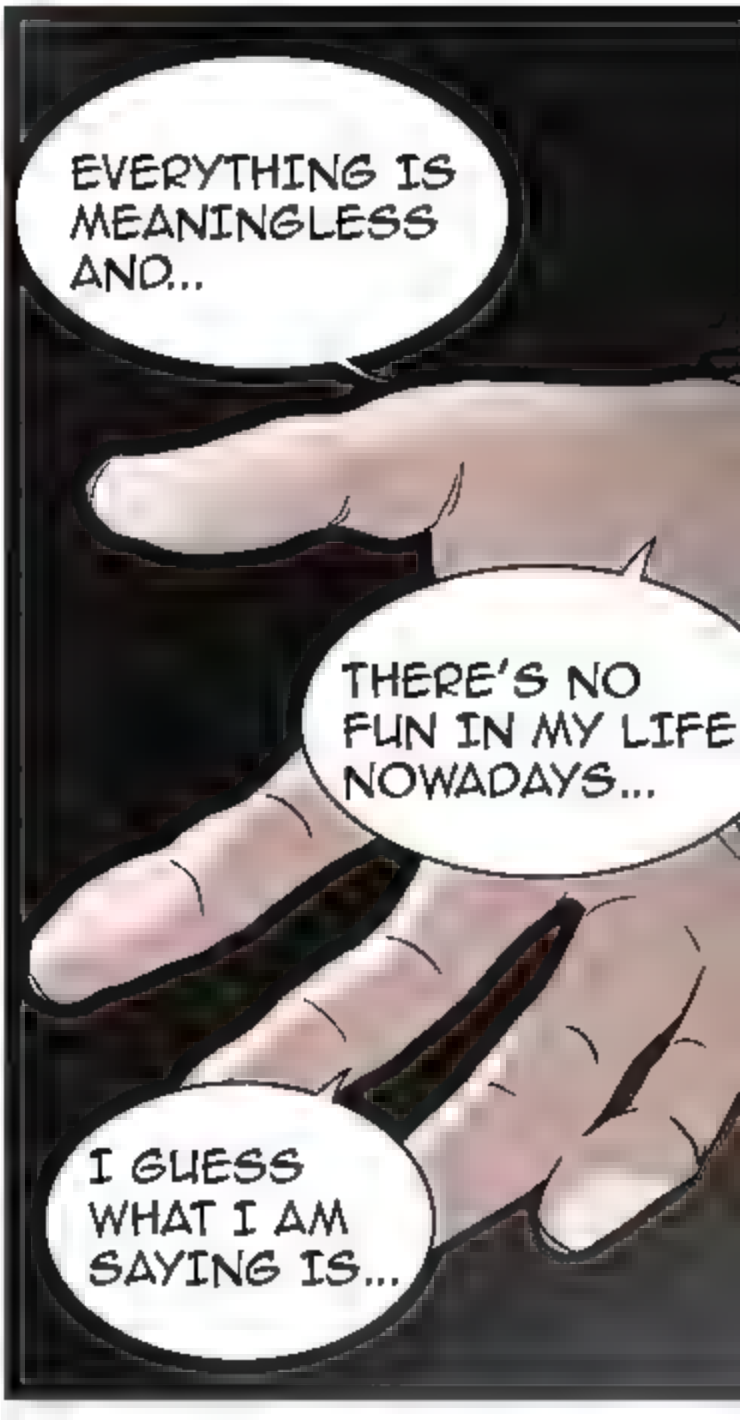

THE SUM OF THE NUMBERS SHOULD BE "12"...
2
9
12
8
12
4
7
5
6
3
1
WE'VE GOT TO SWITCH 12 WITH 6 FIRST.
HMM..

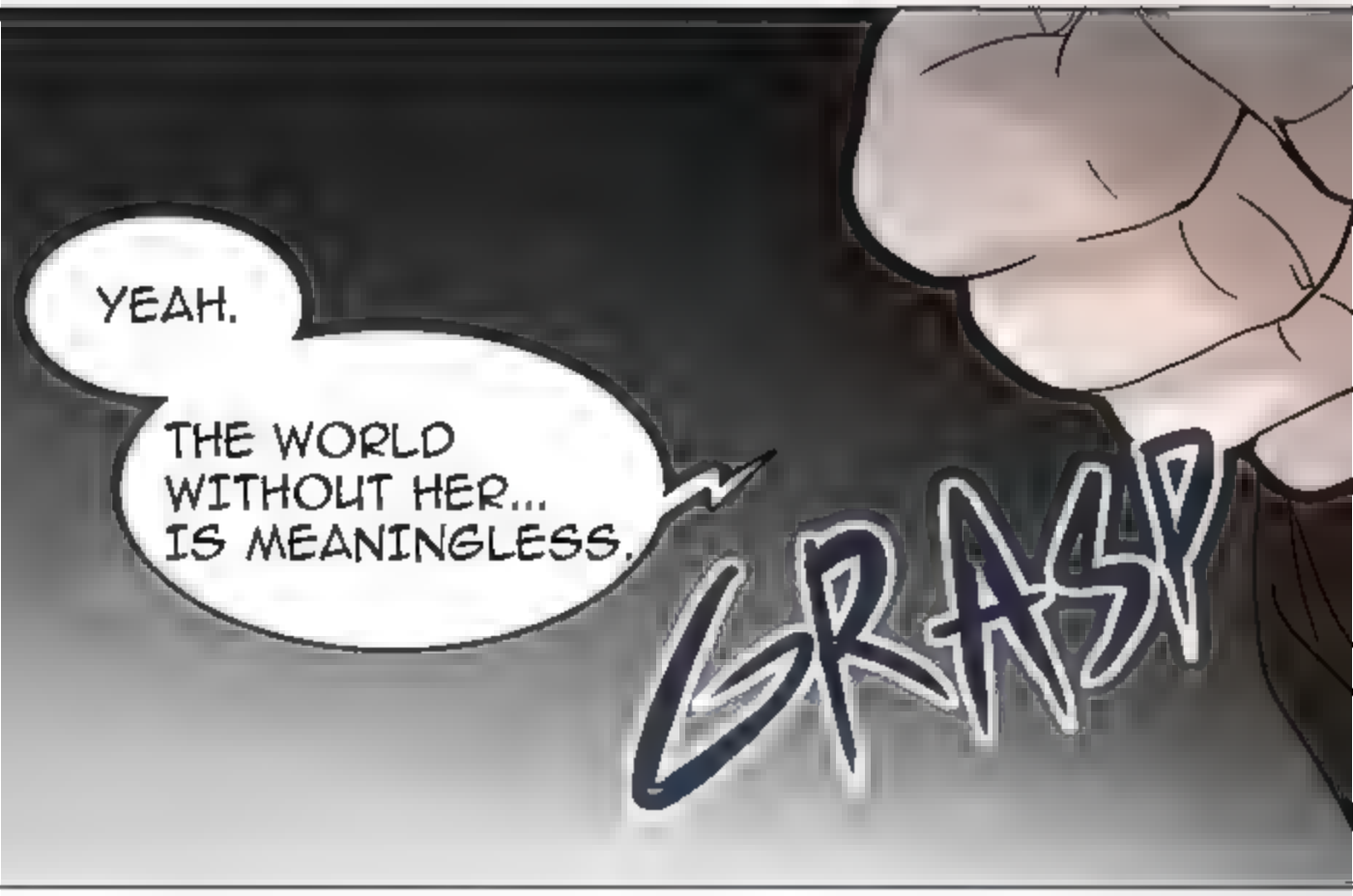

THEN THE NUMBERS WILL LOOK LIKE THIS.
IF YOU ADD THE NUMBERS IN DIAGONAL LINES, EACH "12" WON'T HAVE ANY NUMBER TO PAIR UP WITH, AND THE REST OF THE NUMBERS WILL HAVE OTHERS TO SUM UP WITH.

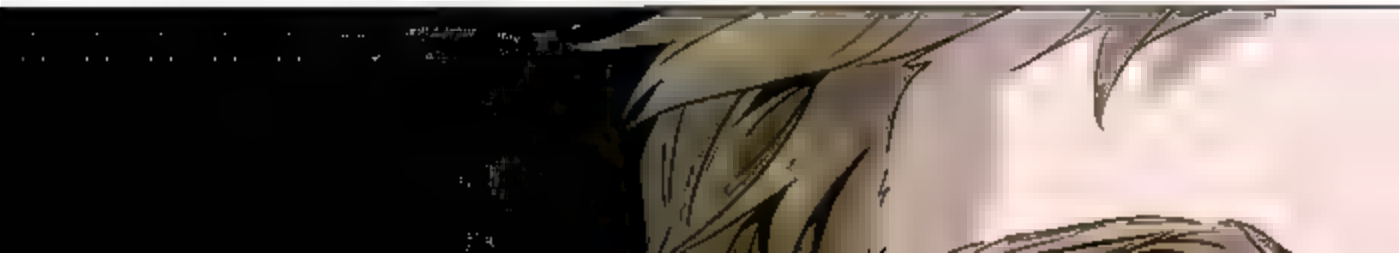
12
12
+1
-1
-2
+2
...OH, I SEE! AS EXPECTED FROM A GUIDE!
IT WAS A GOOD IDEA TO KEEP YOU ALIVE AND BRING YOU HERE.
IT DIDN'T EVEN TAKE A MINUTE!
ALL YOU NEED TO DO NOW, IS TO SWITCH THE REST OF THE NUMBERS TO MAKE EACH LINE TO HAVE "12" AS A SUM.

....ANYONE CAN SOLVE THIS, EVEN IF THEY'RE NOT A GUIDE.
.....WHAT IN THE WORLD IS YOUR PLAN ANYWAY?
WHY WOULD YOU MAKE THE TRAIN DEPART... AND GO THOUGH ALL THIS ADVENTURE?


EMM... WELL, IF YOU MUST ASK...
...WHAT KINDA LIE IS HE GONNA TELL THIS TIME...?
BECAUSE WE WERE BORED?

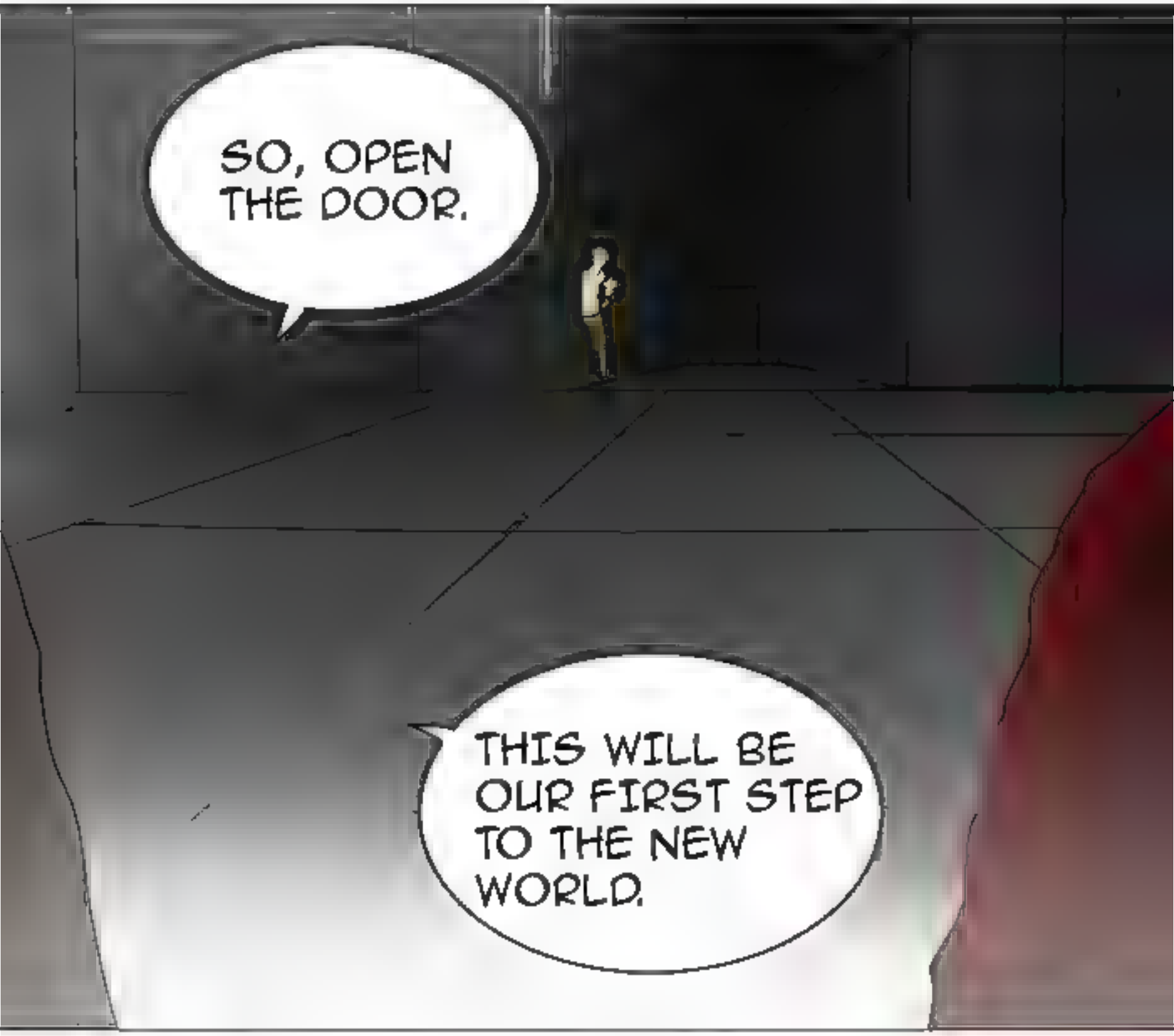

EVERYTHING IS MEANINGLESS AND...
THERE'S NO FUN IN MY LIFE NOWADAYS...
I GUESS WHAT I AM SAYING IS...


YEAH.
THE WORLD WITHOUT HER... IS MEANINGLESS.
GRASP

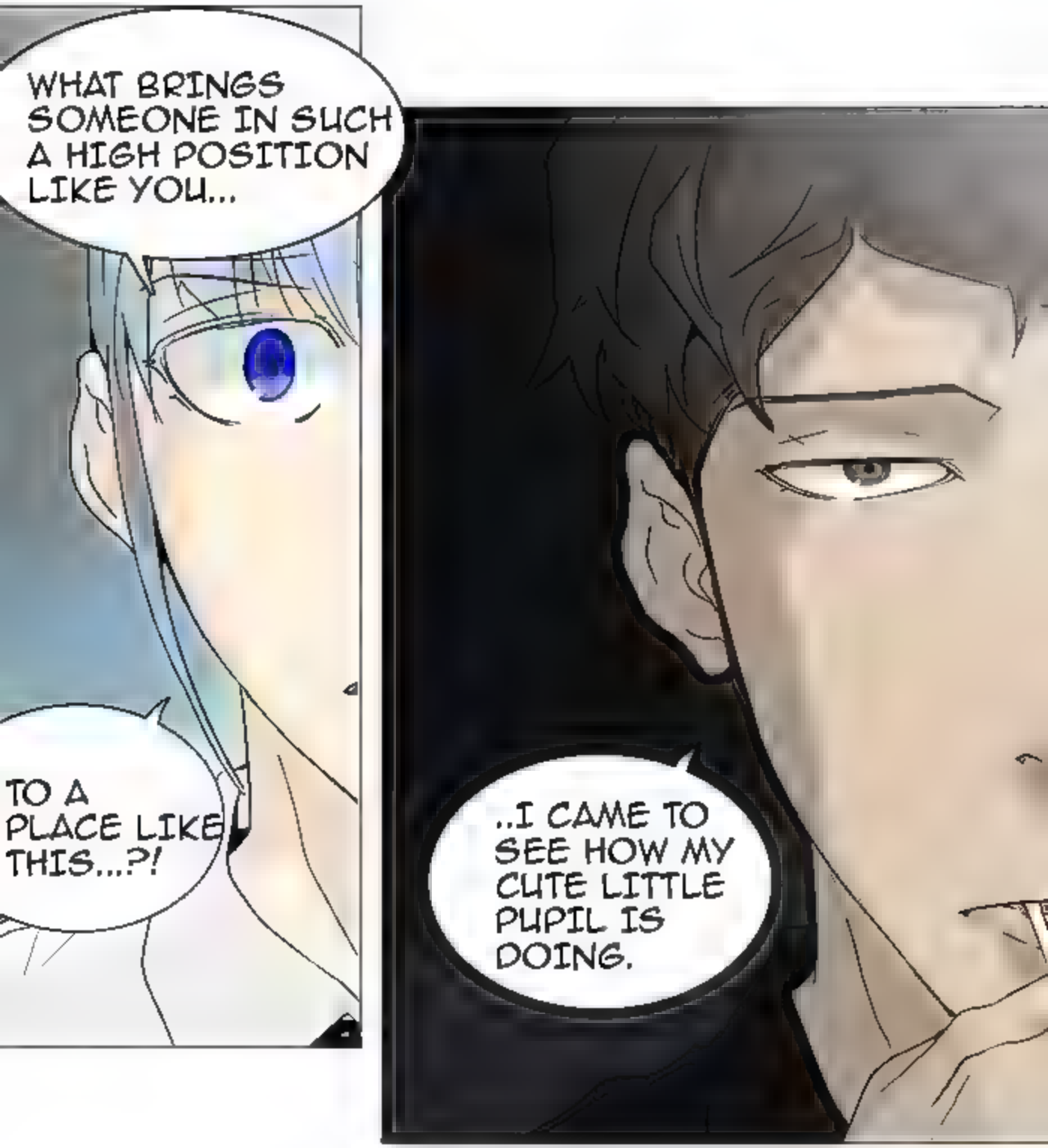


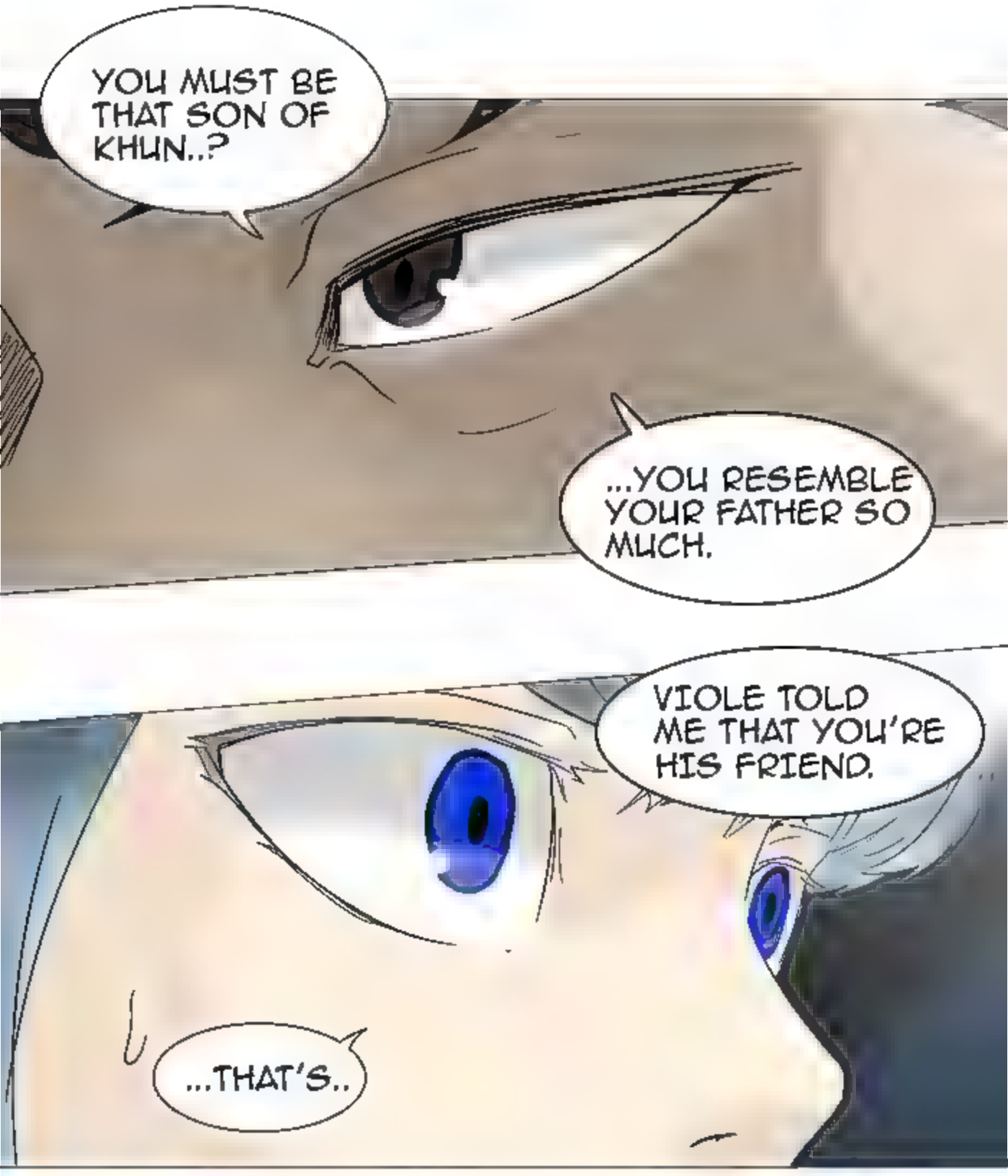
THAT'S WHY I'M TRYING TO START OVER...

BY CHANGING THIS BORING AND FILTHY WORLD.


SO, OPEN THE DOOR.
THIS WILL BE OUR FIRST STEP TO THE NEW WORLD.

JIN....
JINSUNG HA..!


WHAT BRINGS SOMEONE IN SUCH A HIGH POSITION LIKE YOU...
TO A PLACE LIKE THIS...?!
..I CAME TO SEE HOW MY CUTE LITTLE PUPIL IS DOING.


YOU MUST BE THAT SON OF KHUN..?
...YOU RESEMBLE YOUR FATHER SO MUCH.
VIOLE TOLD ME THAT YOU'RE HIS FRIEND.
...THAT'S..

DON'T GET SO NERVOUS, KID.
I'VE CHANGED A LOT.
I NO LONGER KILL THE TEN FAMILIES
WHENEVER I MEET THEM.
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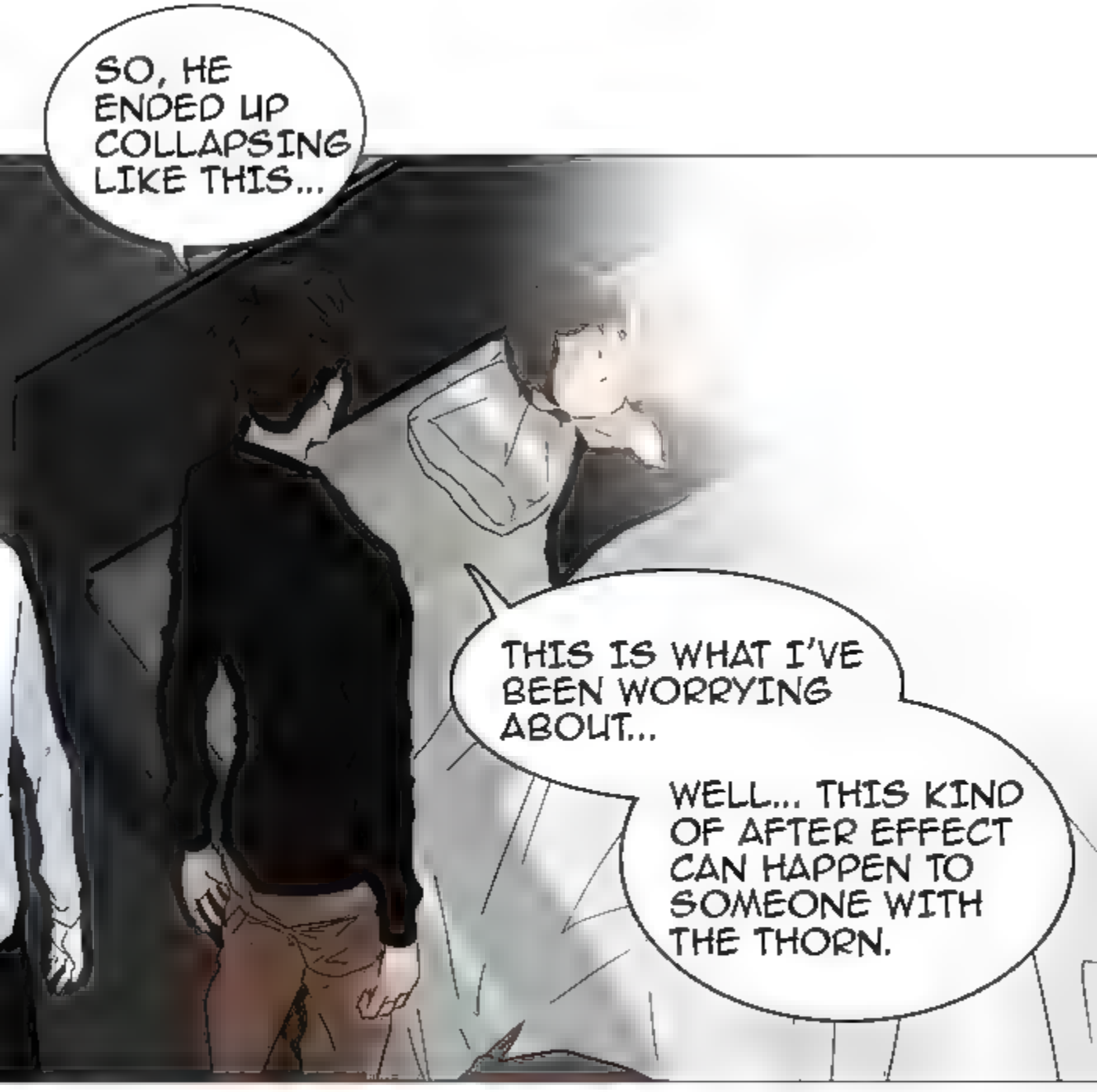

SO, HE ENDED UP COLLAPSING LIKE THIS...
THIS IS WHAT I'VE BEEN WORRYING ABOUT...
WELL... THIS KIND OF AFTER EFFECT CAN HAPPEN TO SOMEONE WITH THE THORN.

HANSUNG, THAT BASTARD... HE PUSHED HIM TOO HARD...

AND THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED BECAUSE OF THAT.

BUT, THIS IS ANOTHER...

ADVERSITY WHICH HE MUST OVERCOME BY HIMSELF.

WHAT A CRUEL FATE...

MAY I...
HAVE A WORD WITH YOU GUYS?

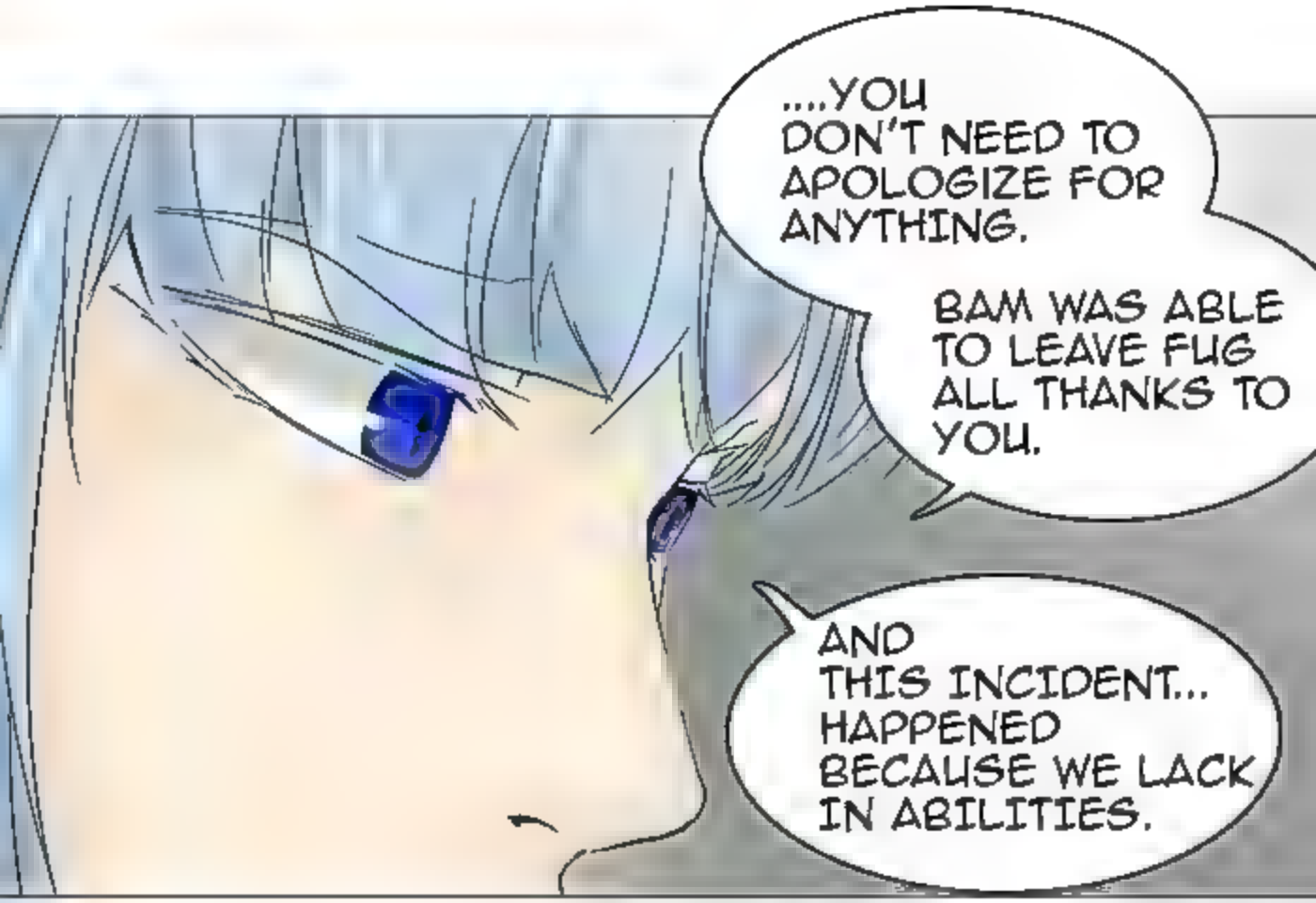
THEY CAPTURED THE HELL TRAIN...?

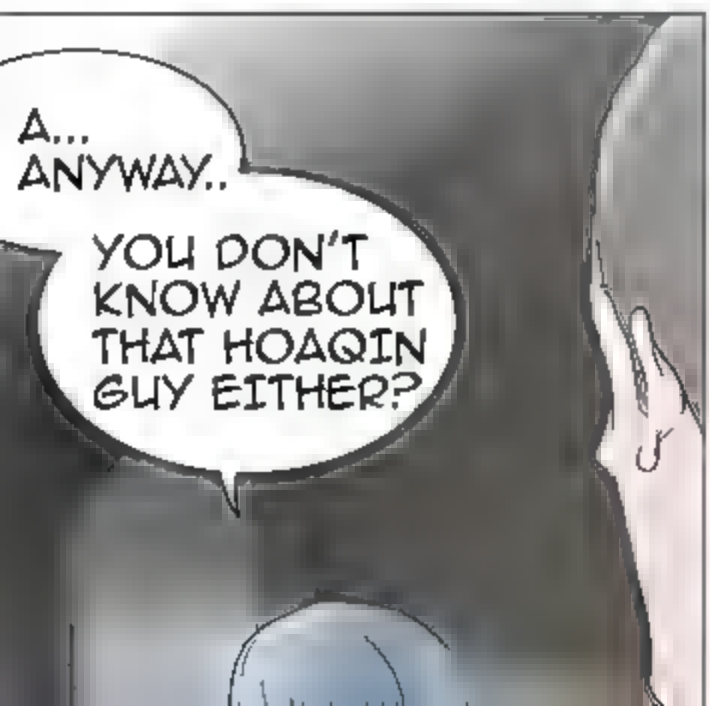
I SEE... SO, THAT'S WHAT THEY'VE DONE, HUH...?

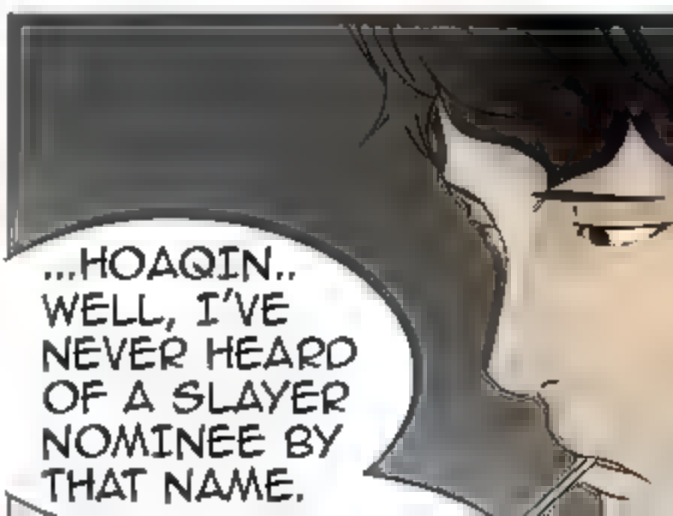
...I GOT IT. WHAT A PAIN IN THE ASS..

I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT. I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU GUYS TO GET INVOLVED WITH FUG'S AFFAIRS...

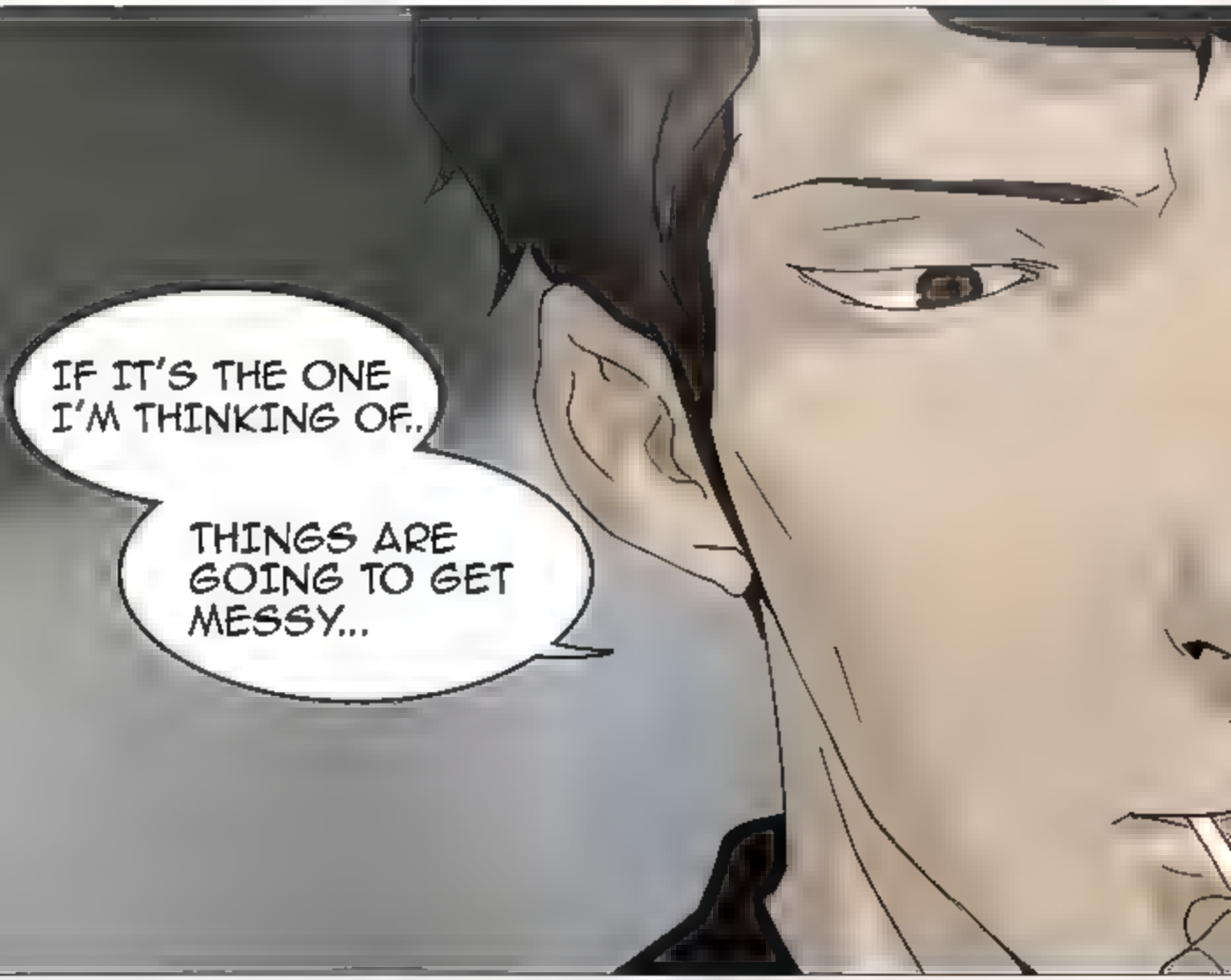
IT'S MY FAULT THAT I COULDN'T CONTROL THEM RIGHT.


....YOU DON'T NEED TO APOLOGIZE FOR ANYTHING.
BAM WAS ABLE TO LEAVE FUG ALL THANKS TO YOU.
AND THIS INCIDENT... HAPPENED BECAUSE WE LACK IN ABILITIES.


A... ANYWAY..
YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT HOAQIN GUY EITHER?


...HOAQIN.. WELL, I'VE NEVER HEARD OF A SLAYER NOMINEE BY THAT NAME.

...I'VE NEVER SEEN KHUN BE SO UNCOMFORTABLE AROUND SOMEONE...
HE CAN'T EVEN LOOK AT HIS EYES.
BUT IF IT'S ABOUT A GUY RELATED TO THE HELL TRAIN...
THERE'S ONE GUY...
THAT COMES TO MIND.
ALTHOUGH THIS IS ONLY MY GUESS,
THE ONE THEY ARE TRYING TO WAKE UP MAY BE SOMEONE VERY DANGEROUS.
.....!


IF IT'S THE ONE I'M THINKING OF..
THINGS ARE GOING TO GET MESSY...

SO...
DOES THAT MEAN YOU CAN'T TELL US IN DETAIL ABOUT THAT HOAQIN GUY?

WELL...
THAT'S RIGHT.
HE IS ONE OF SECRETS OF FUG.

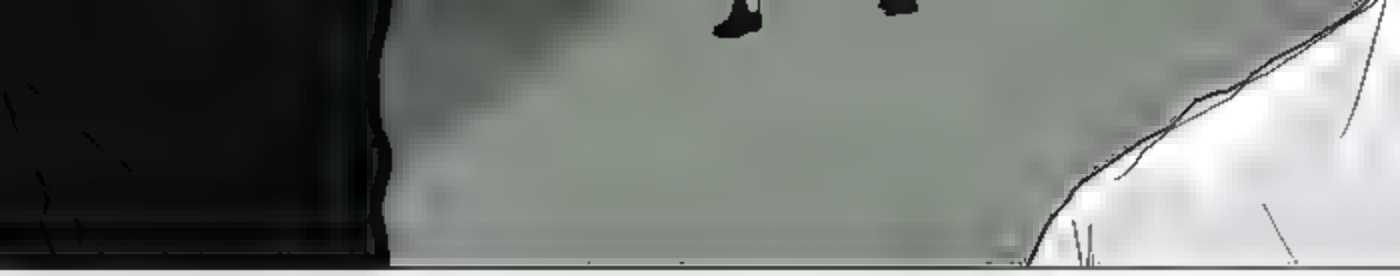
IT'S NOT LIKE THE PROBLEM WILL BE SOLVED IF YOU GUYS GET INVOLVED, AND I'M NOT SO SURE IF MY GUESS IS RIGHT.

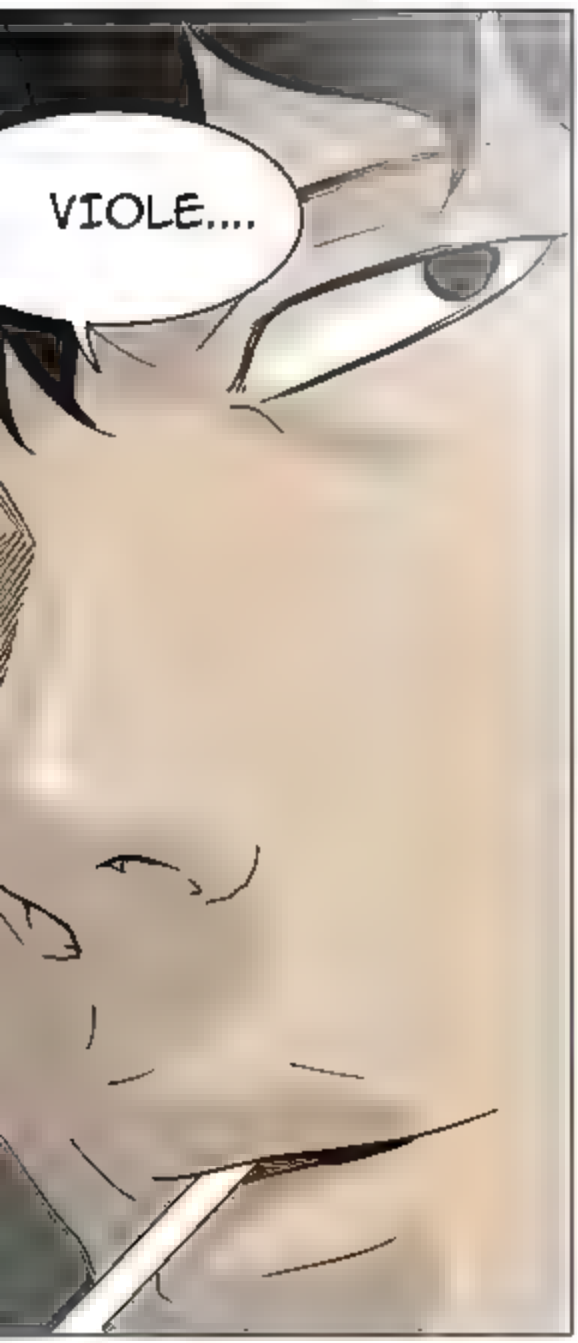
THINGS ARE LOOKING BAD FOR YOU GUYS
ALONG WITH THE CONDITION OF VIOLE.
.....
I ADVISE YOU ALL TO SLOW DOWN...
SSH—

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE TRAIN, AND JUST GO UP THE TOWER.
I'LL SEND SOME REGULARS ON OUR SIDE TO TAKE CARE OF THE TRAIN.
GIVE UP CHASING THE TRAIN.

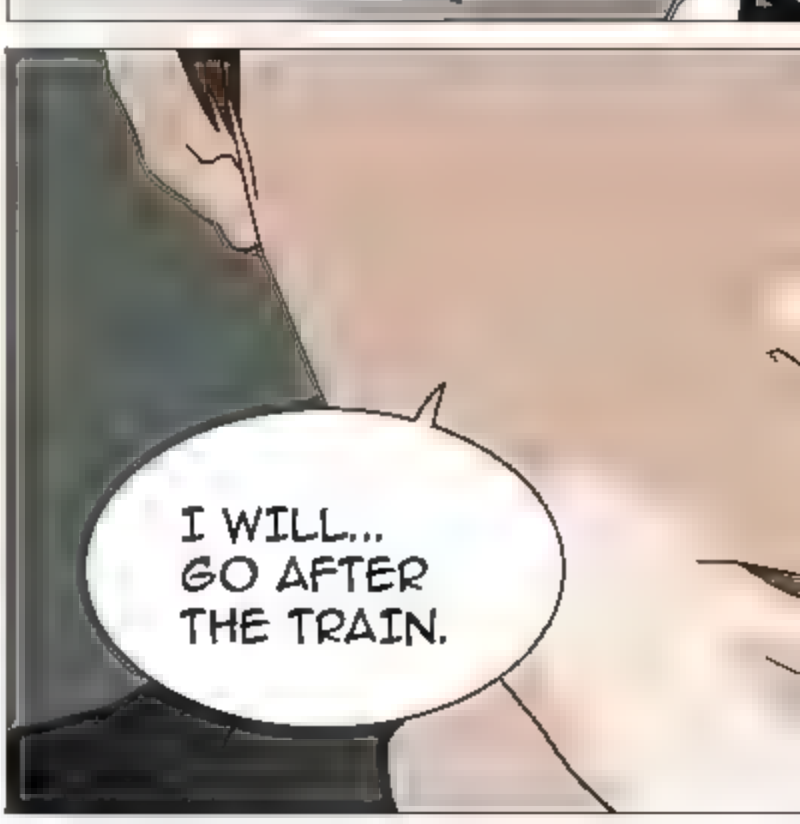
.....!

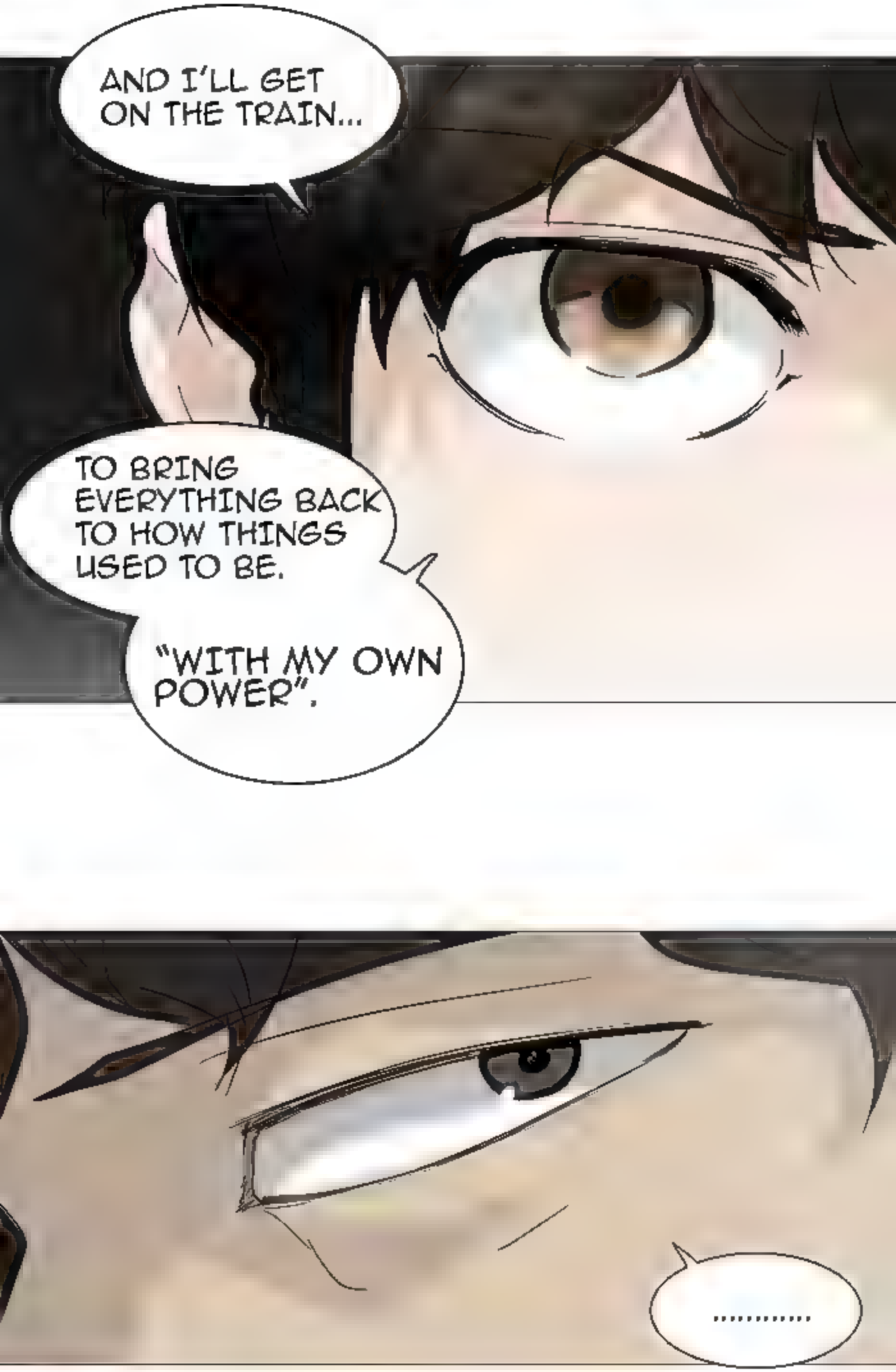
I CAN'T...
DO THAT, TEACHER.
CLANK
....! BAM!



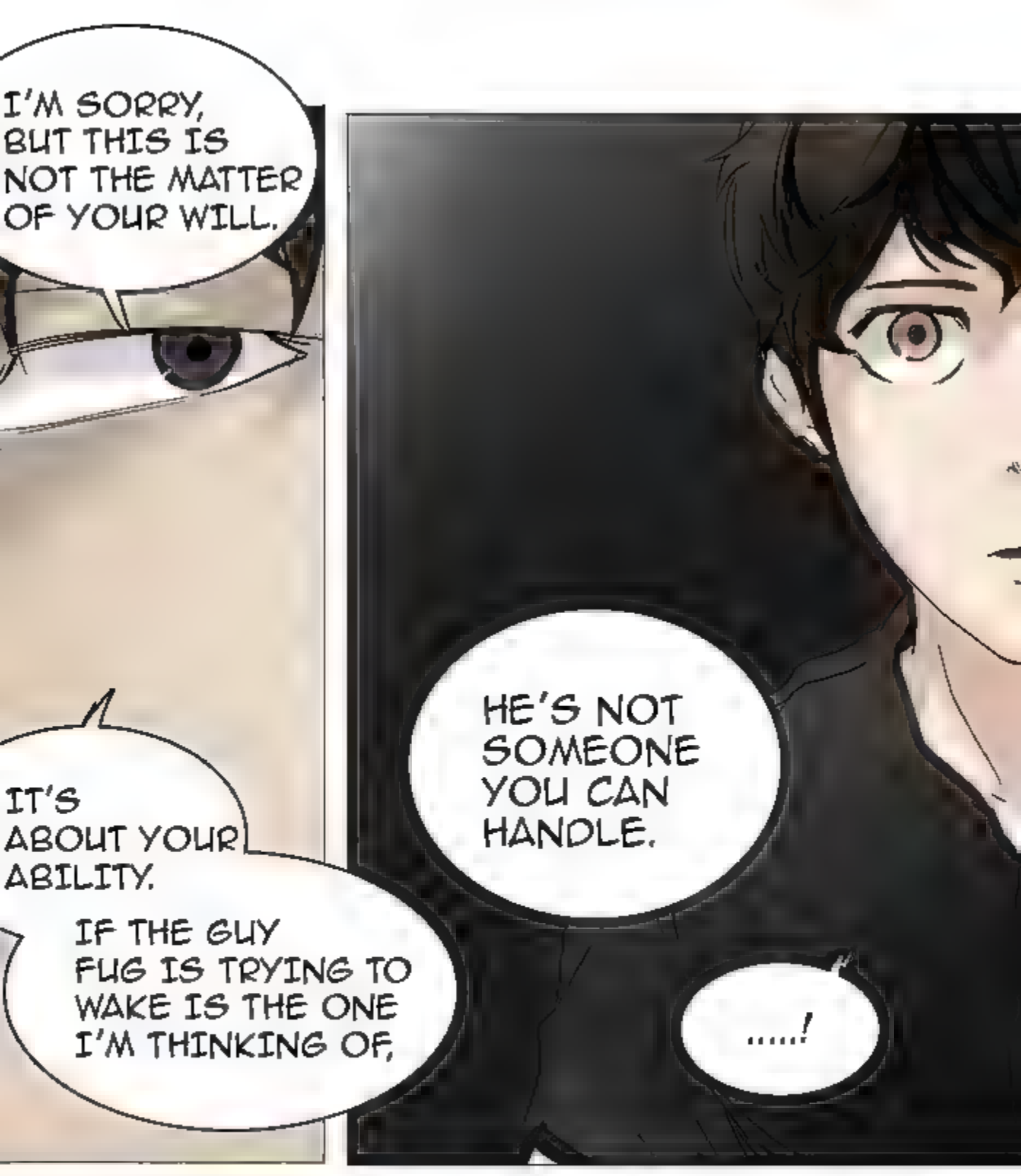

VIOLE....

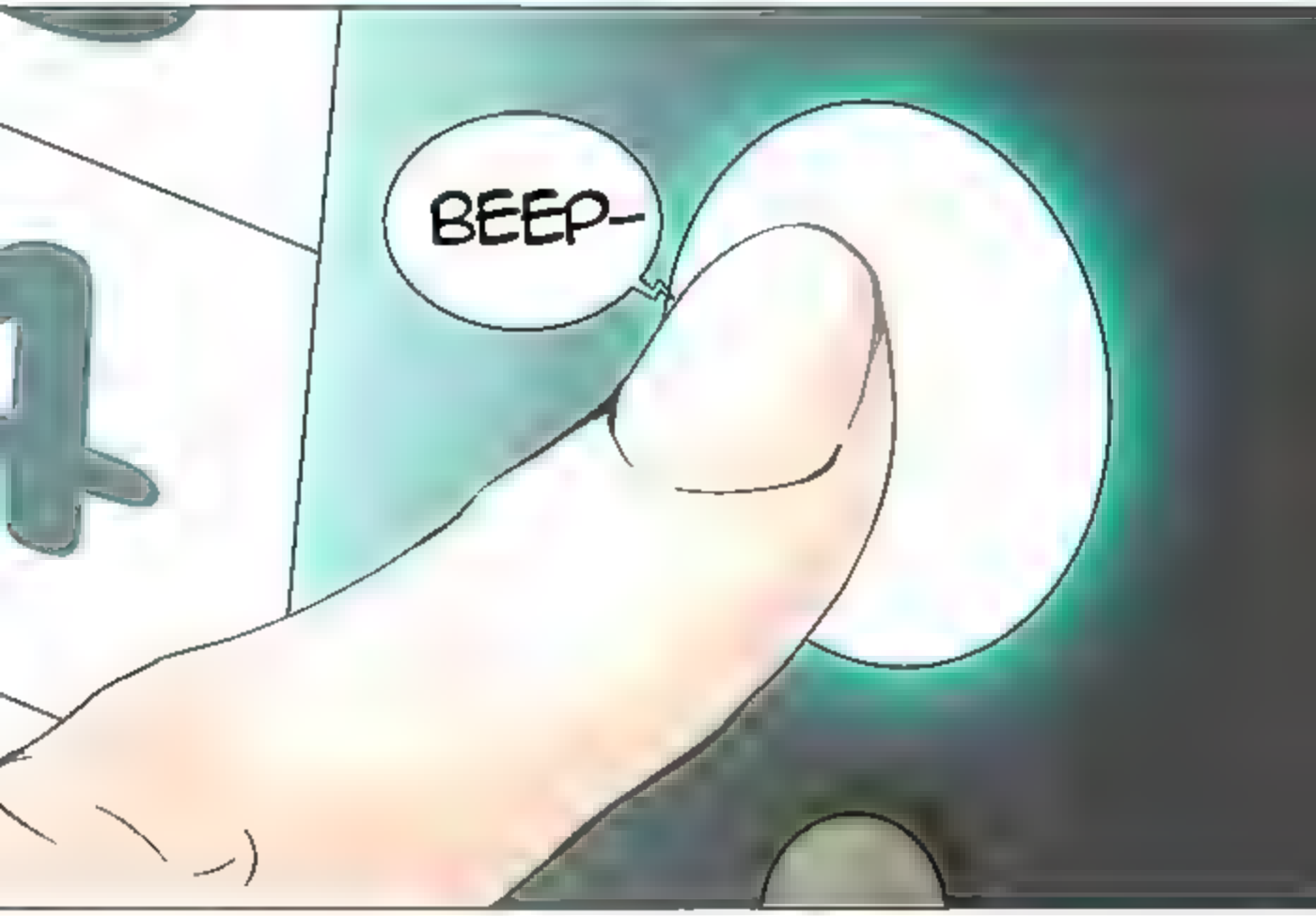
BAM..!
YOU SHOULDN'T BE UP ALREADY..!

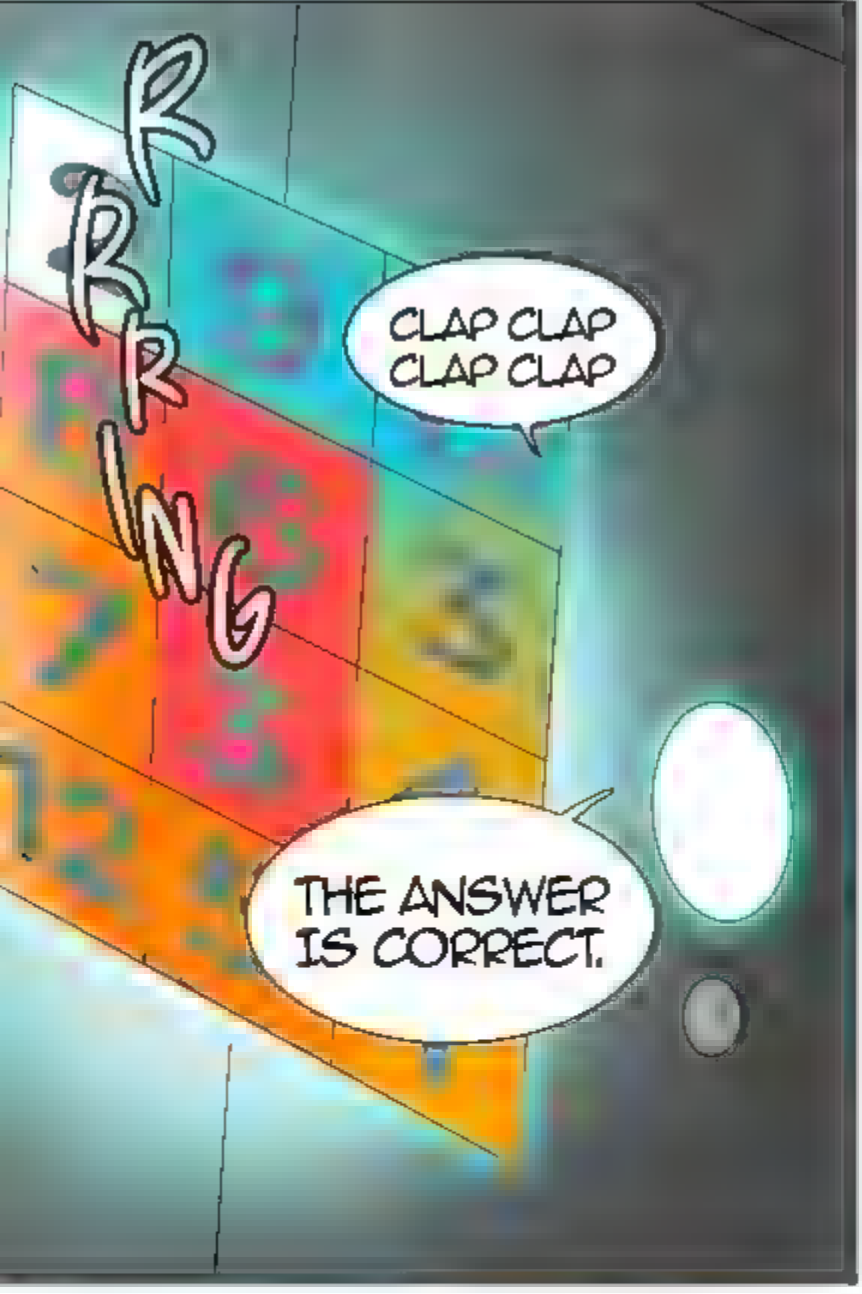

I WILL... GO AFTER THE TRAIN.

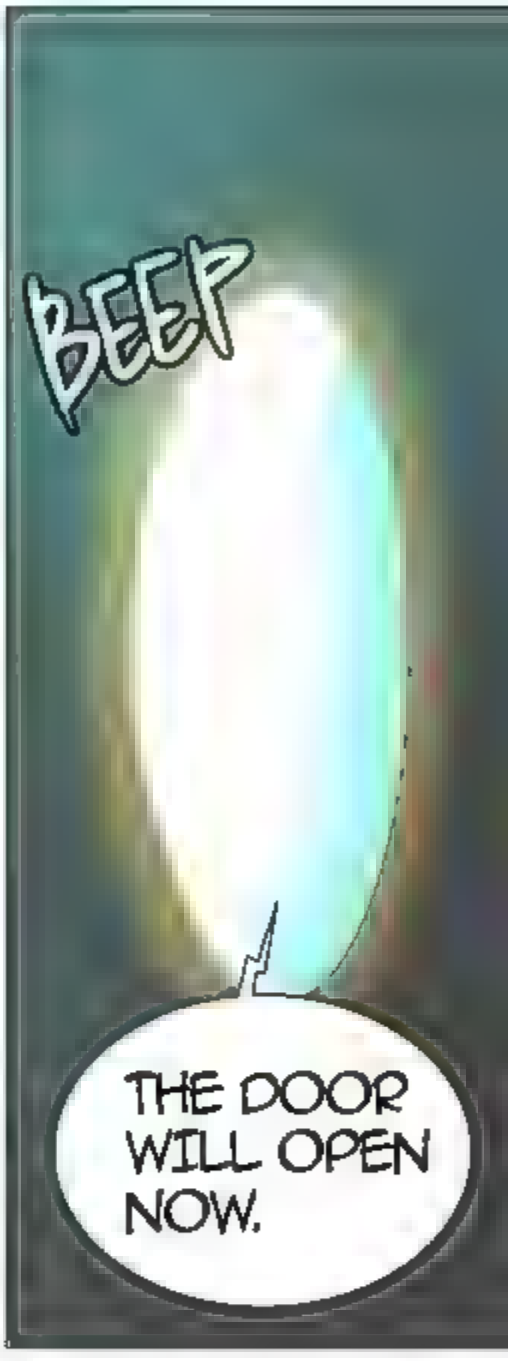

AND I'LL GET ON THE TRAIN...
TO BRING EVERYTHING BACK TO HOW THINGS USED TO BE.
"WITH MY OWN POWER".
.....

NOT THIS TIME.
IT WON'T MATTER EVEN IF YOU STOP ME! I WILL...!


I'M SORRY, BUT THIS IS NOT THE MATTER OF YOUR WILL.
IT'S ABOUT YOUR ABILITY.
IF THE GUY FUG IS TRYING TO WAKE IS THE ONE I'M THINKING OF,
HE'S NOT SOMEONE YOU CAN HANDLE.
.....!

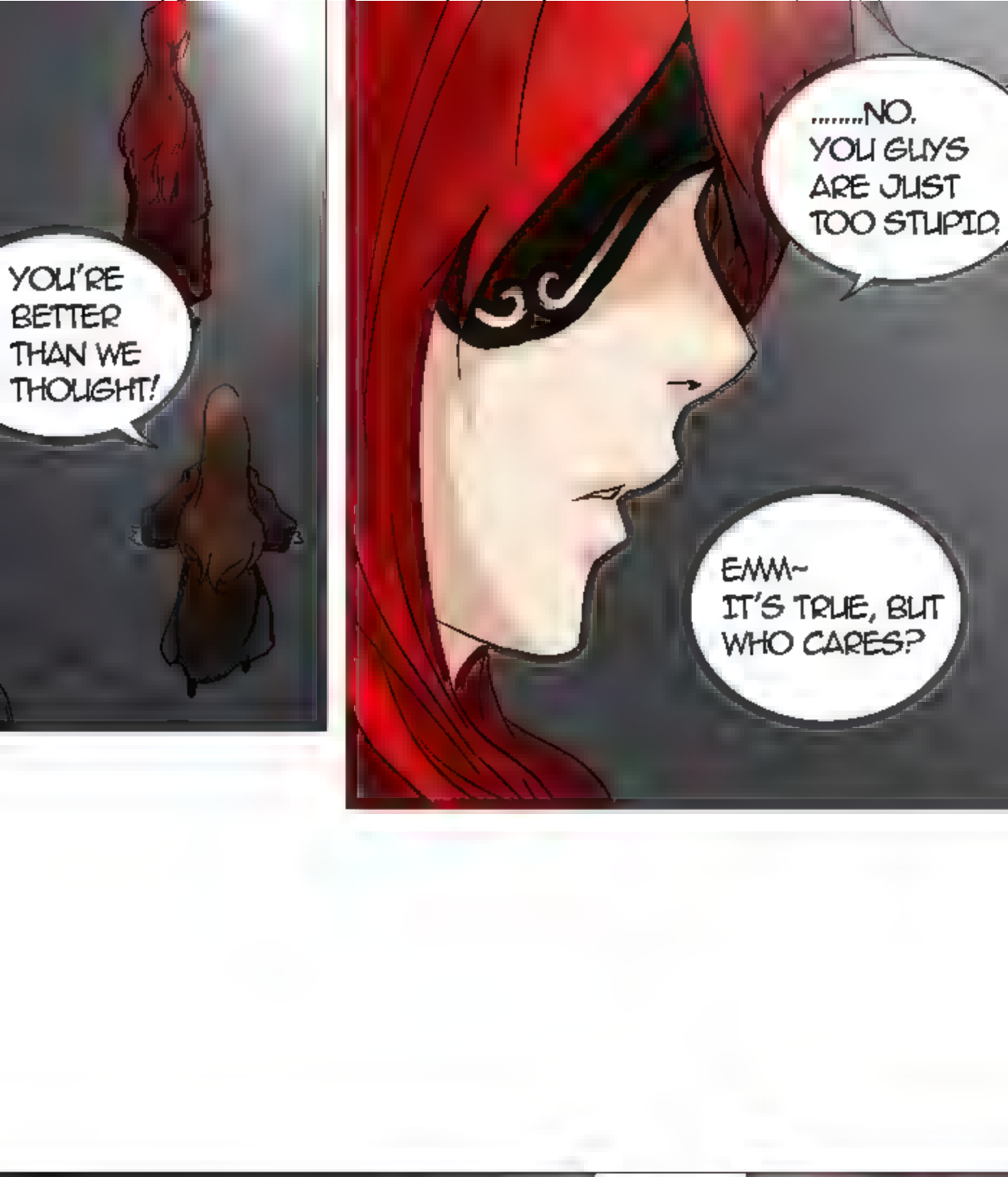

BEEP-


RRRING
CLAP CLAP
CLAP CLAP
THE ANSWER
IS CORRECT.


BEEP
THE DOOR
WILL OPEN
NOW.

THUMP
OH-

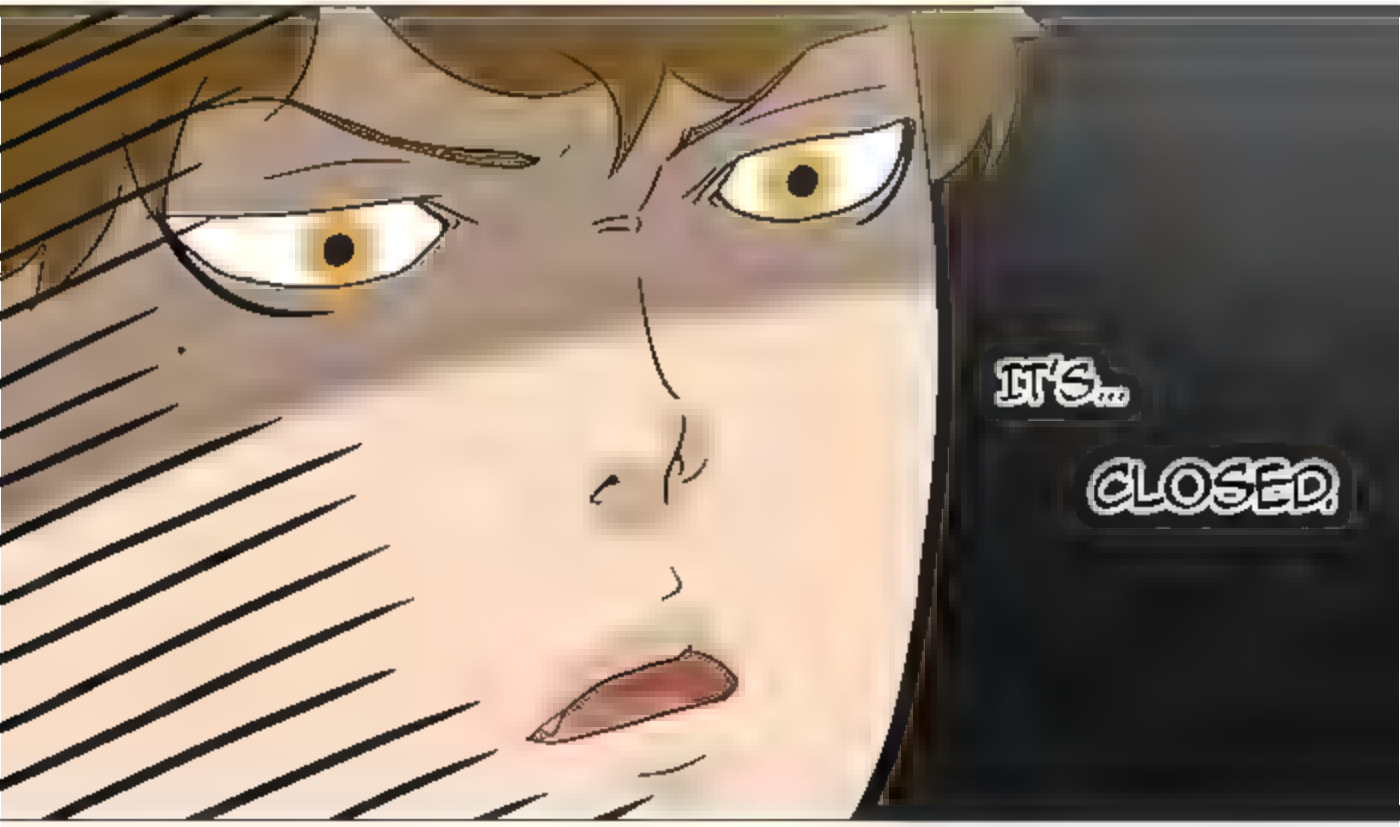
IT'S OPEN!
IT'S OPEN-!


YOU'RE BETTER THAN WE THOUGHT!
.....NO. YOU GUYS ARE JUST TOO STUPID.
EMM~ IT'S TRUE, BUT WHO CARES?

ANYWAY, LET'S ROLL!

!!
THE DOOR!

KATA KATA KATA KATA
DAMN IT..!
THUMP
STOP... RIGHT THERE..!
!!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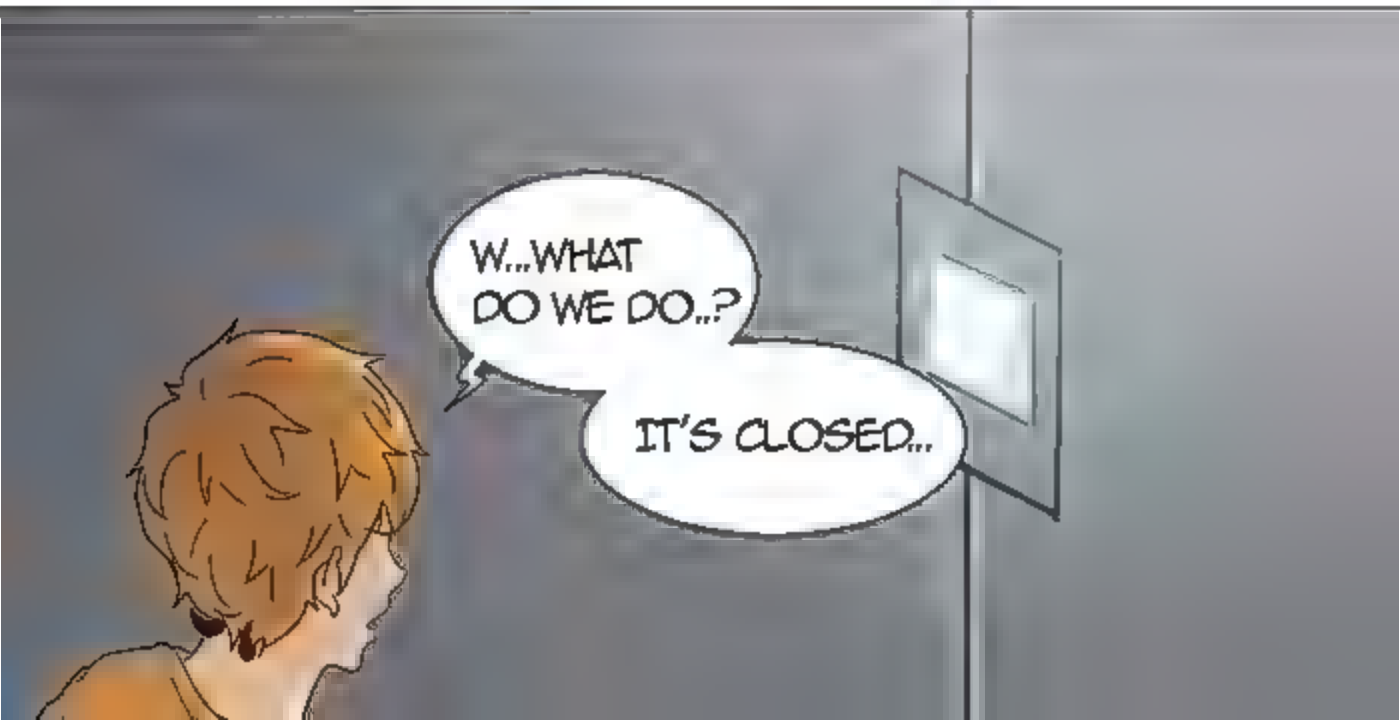
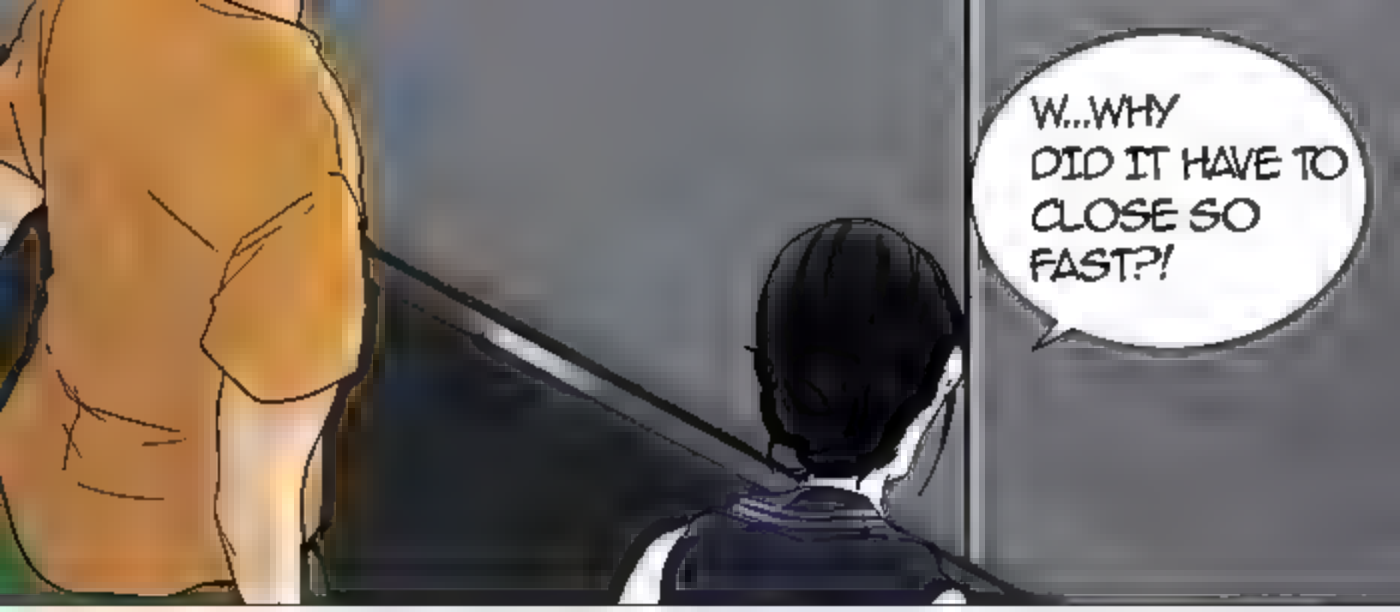
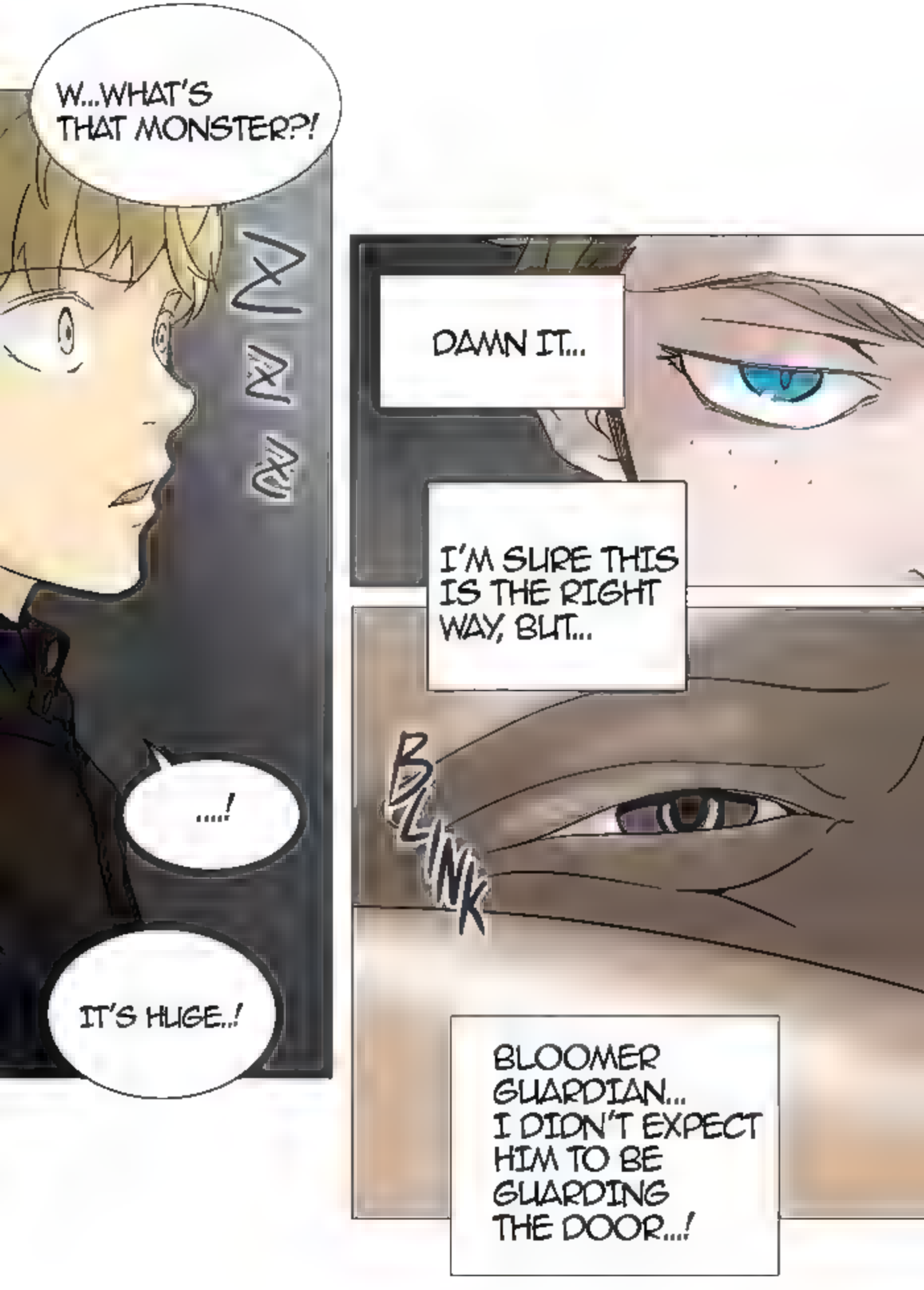
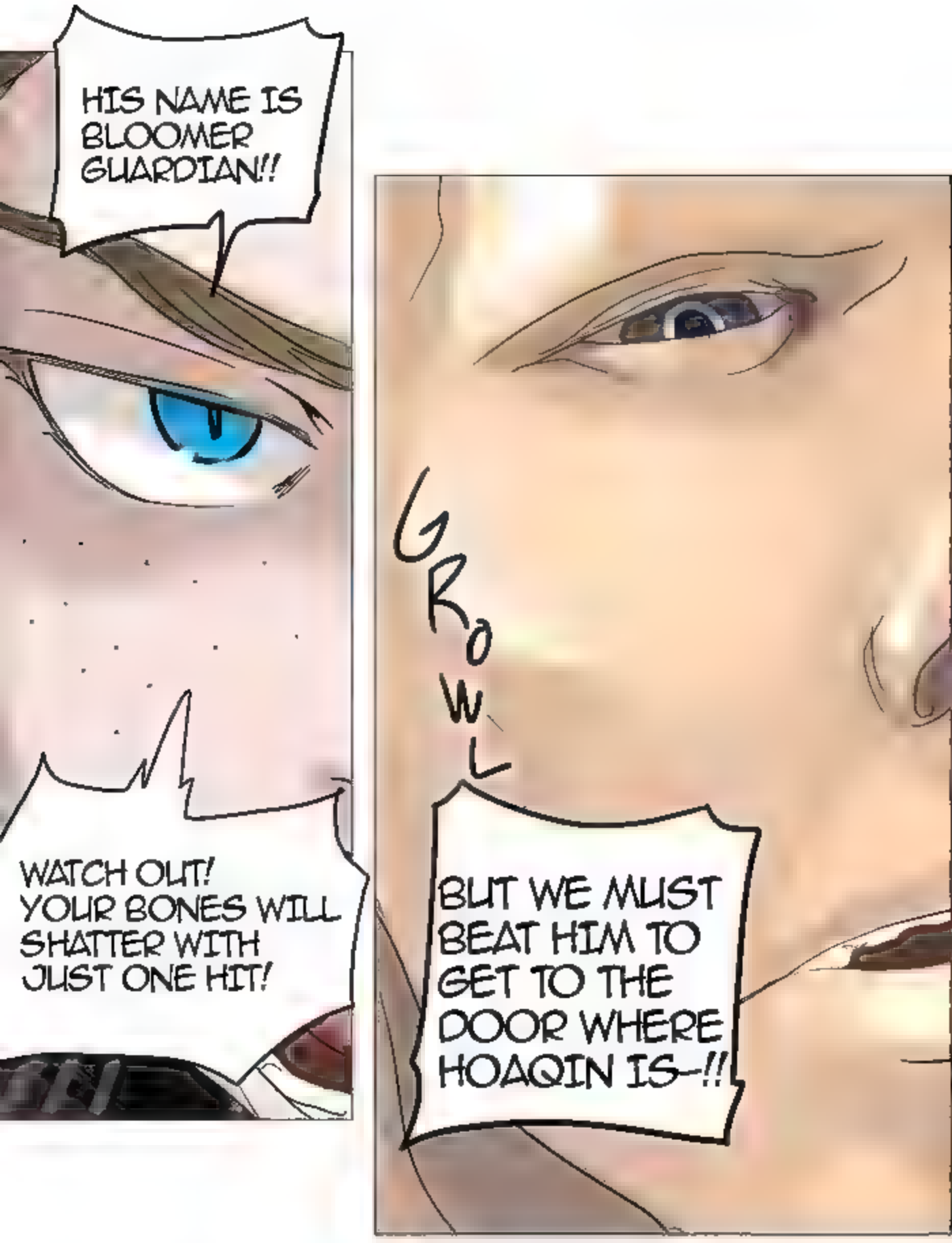

W...WHAT DO WE DO..?
IT'S CLOSED...


W...WHY DID IT HAVE TO CLOSE SO FAST?!

CAN YOU DO THIS...
MATH..?
I'M NOT SURE...

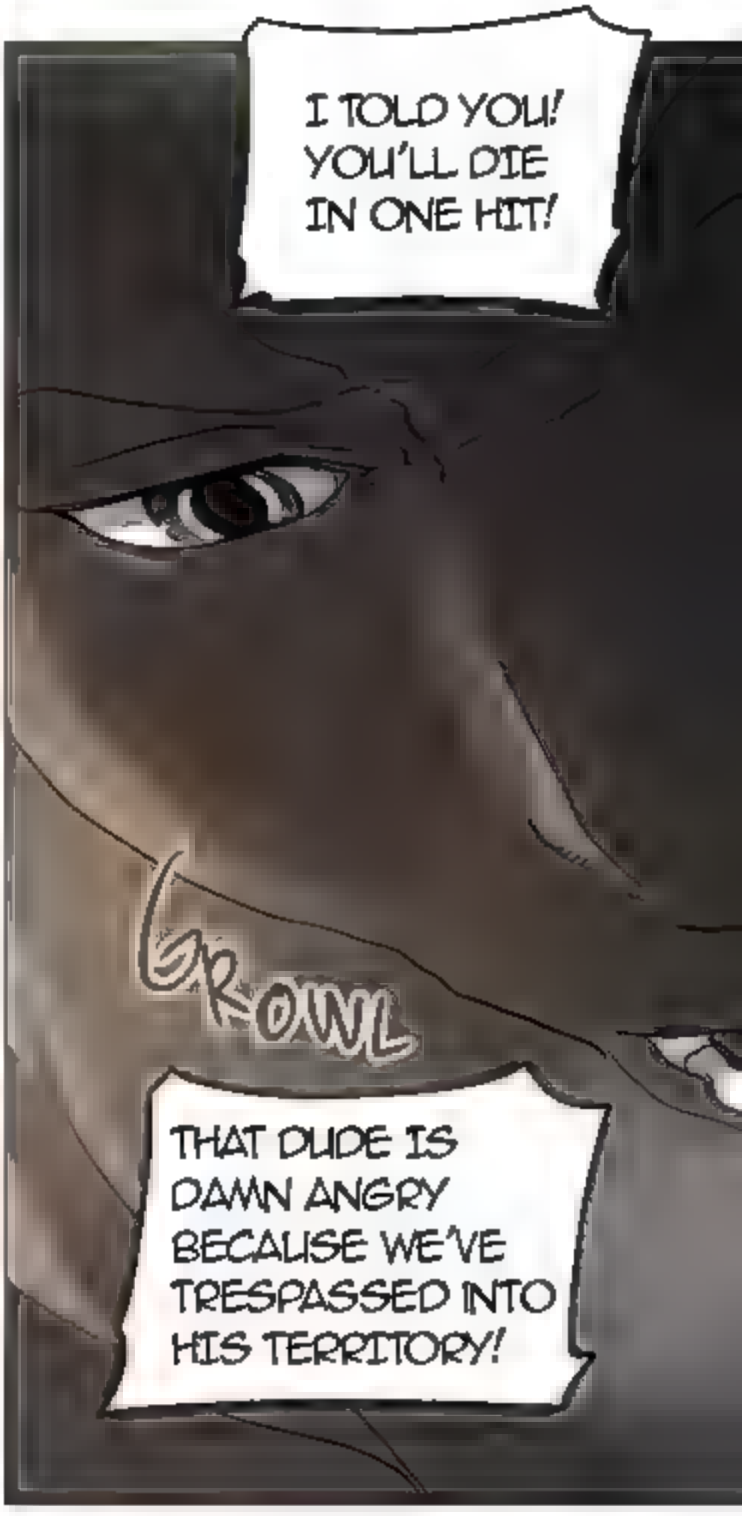

W...WHAT'S THAT MONSTER?!
....!
IT'S HUGE..!
DAMN IT...
I'M SURE THIS IS THE RIGHT WAY, BUT...
BLINK
BLOOMER GUARDIAN... I DIDN'T EXPECT HIM TO BE GUARDING THE DOOR...!

RUMBLE
HE'S GETTING UP!
GET READY FOR THE BATTLE!


HIS NAME IS BLOOMER GUARDIAN!!
WATCH OUT! YOUR BONES WILL SHATTER WITH JUST ONE HIT!
GROWL
BUT WE MUST BEAT HIM TO GET TO THE DOOR WHERE HOAQIN IS--!!

KA
KYAK-!
KRGH!
BOOM

RUMBLE
DID YOU SEE THAT POWER?!


I TOLD YOU! YOU'LL DIE IN ONE HIT!
GROWL
THAT DUDE IS DAMN ANGRY BECAUSE WE'VE TRESPASSED INTO HIS TERRITORY!

WOOSH
SH*T-! HERE IT COMES AGAIN!

TAPATAPA

PZZT

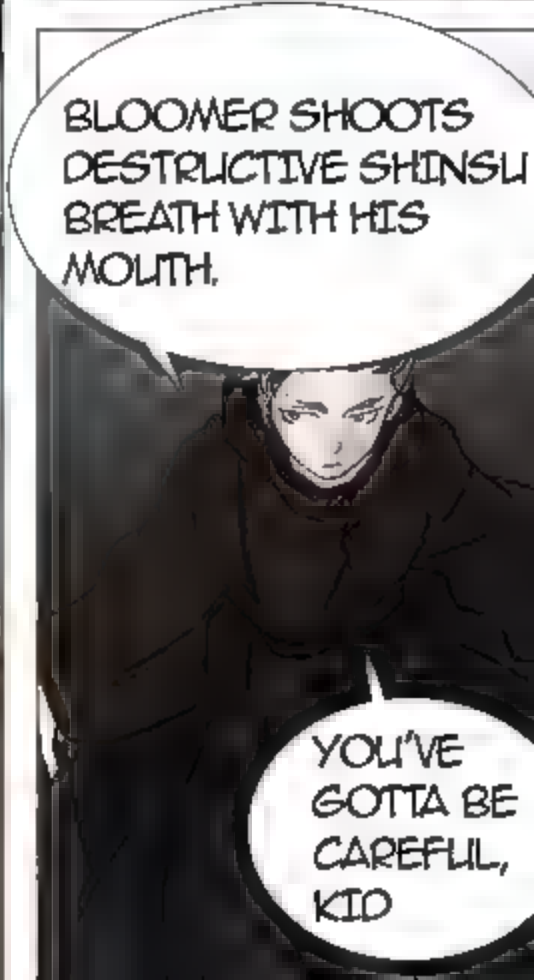
WE CAN'T DODGE FOREVER-!!
PZZT-
LET'S SEE WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF!

GROWL
!!

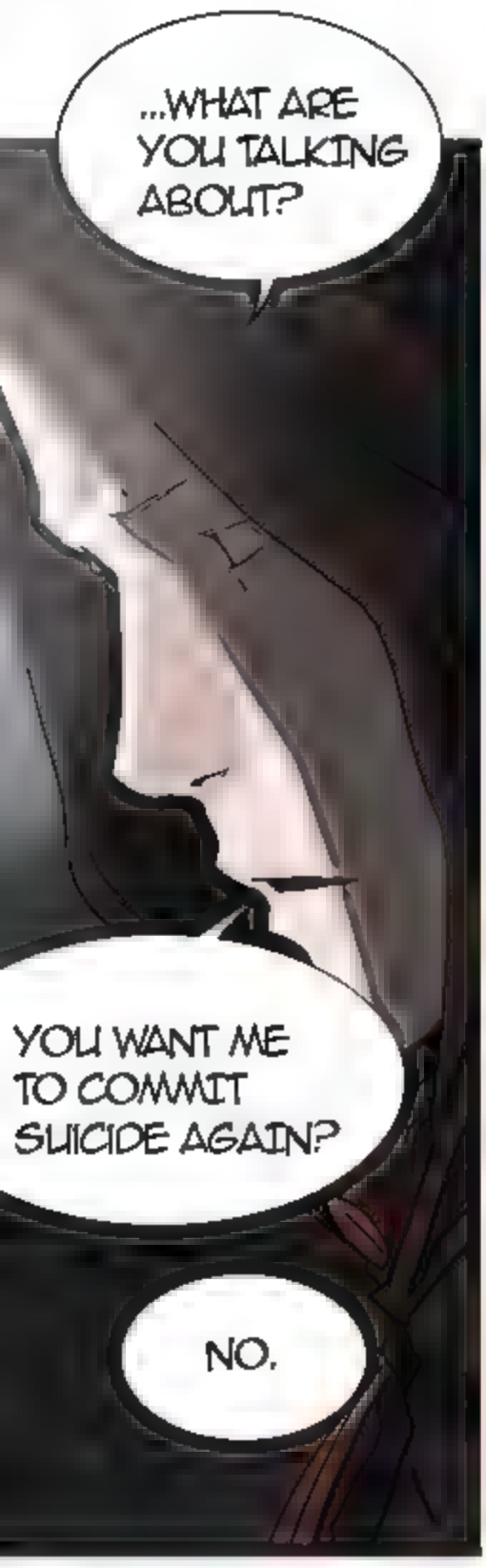
KA
BOO
M
KRGH!!

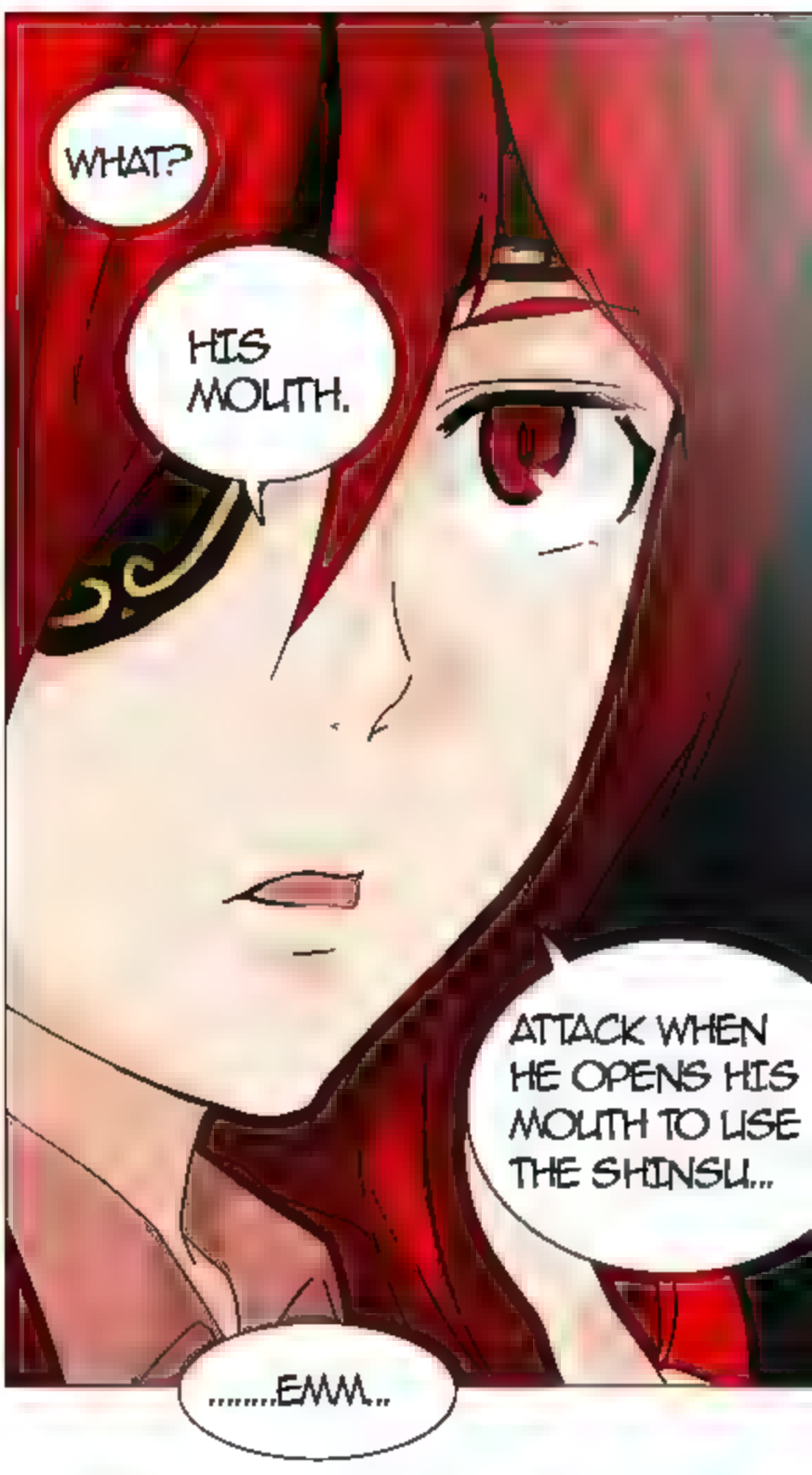
PUNNT
TAP-!
PZZZT

PHEW- WHAT'S THAT?
SHINSU?
TAP-

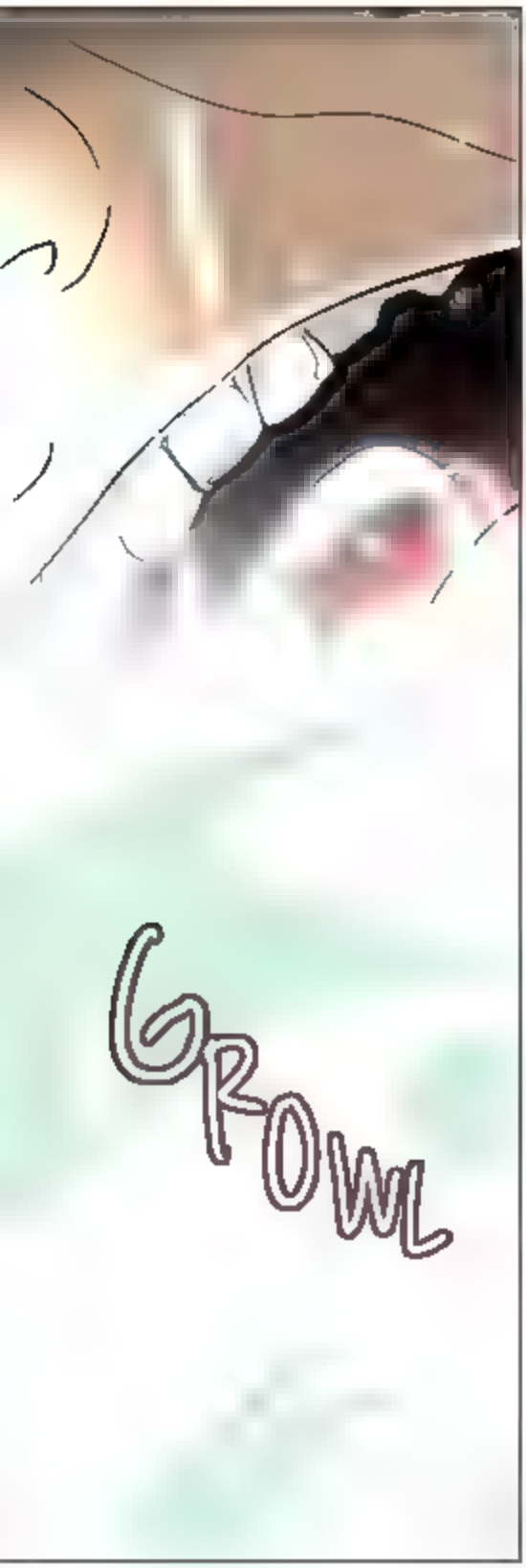

BLOOMER SHOOTS DESTRUCTIVE SHINSU BREATH WITH HIS MOUTH.
YOU'VE GOTTA BE CAREFUL, KID

YOU SHOULD HAVE TOLD US BEFOREHAND!
THUD
DO YOU WANT US TO GET HIT BY THAT AS A TEST OR SOMETHING?!
HEY, MAD DOG.
?
DO THE RUSH AGAIN.


...WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
YOU WANT ME TO COMMIT SUICIDE AGAIN?
NO.


WHAT?
HIS MOUTH.
ATTACK WHEN HE OPENS HIS MOUTH TO USE THE SHINSU...
.....EMM...

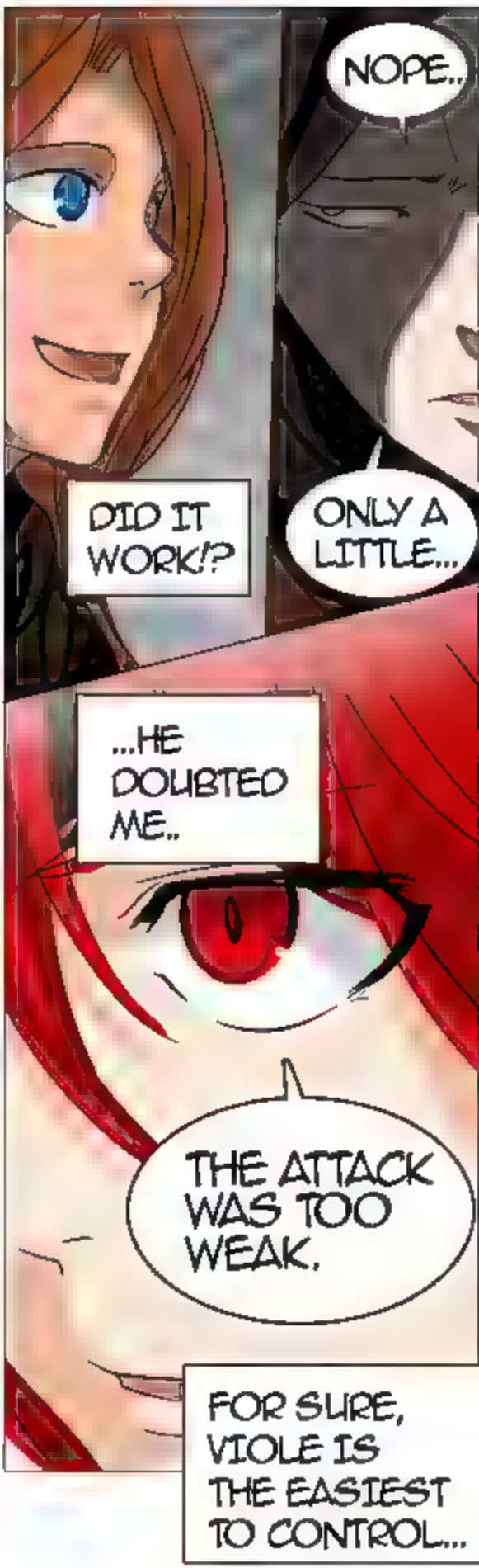
DASH-
PHT..!
THAT DOES MAKE SENSE!
I'LL SEE IF IT WORKS!!


GROWL

NOW..!
FLASH

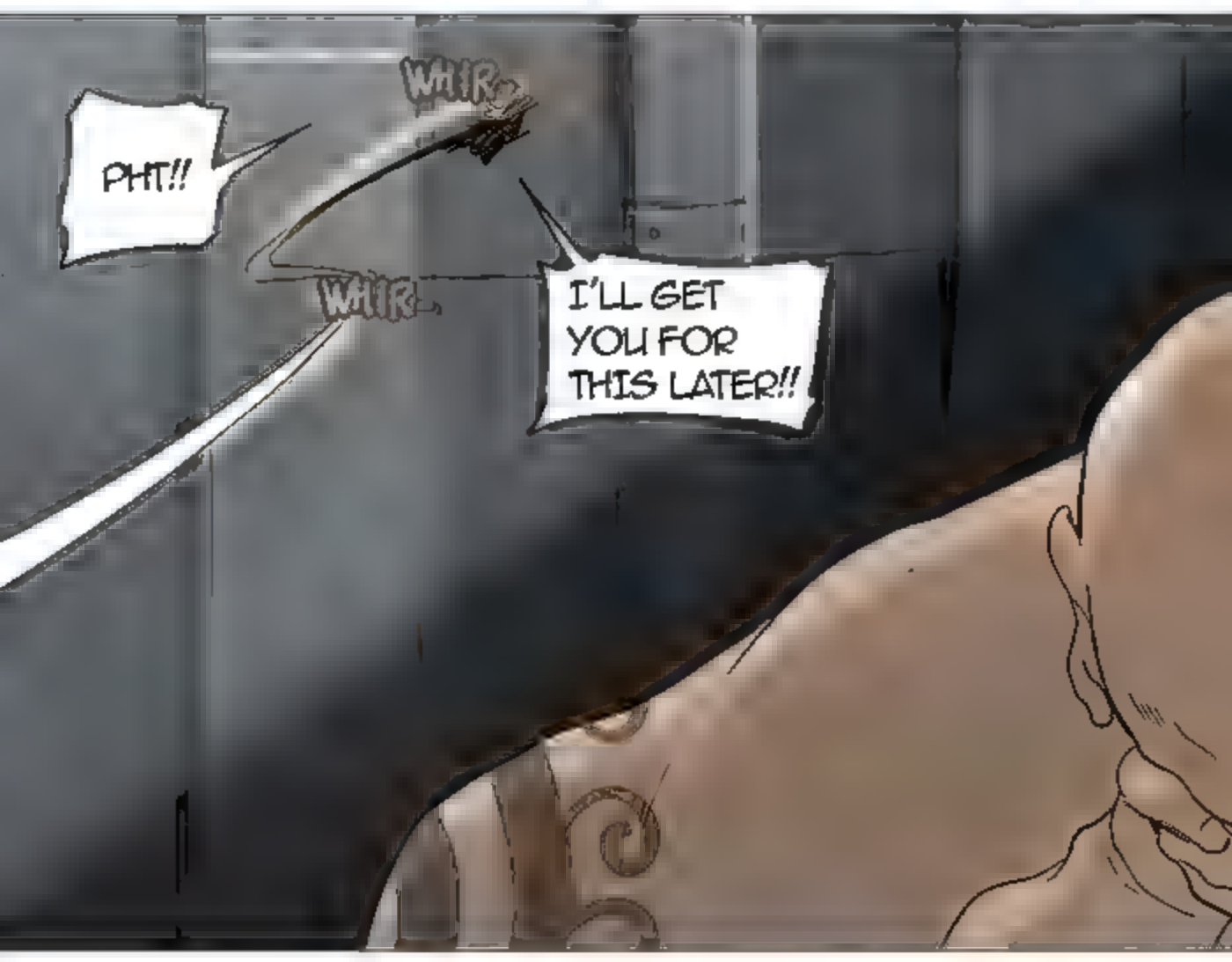
BOOM
!!

GROOOO OOOWWL
HUMP
!


NOPE..
DID IT WORK!?
ONLY A LITTLE...
...HE DOUBTED ME..
THE ATTACK WAS TOO WEAK.
FOR SURE, VIOLE IS THE EASIEST TO CONTROL...

BANG
OOPS!

HEY!
FLY BUG!!
FLY AROUND THAT GUY, AND DISTRACT HIM!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO, IF YOU WANT TO DIE WITH ME HERE.
WHAT!?
WHY WOULD I LISTEN TO YOU?
.....


PHT!!
WHIR-
WHIR-
I'LL GET YOU FOR THIS LATER!!

WHIR-

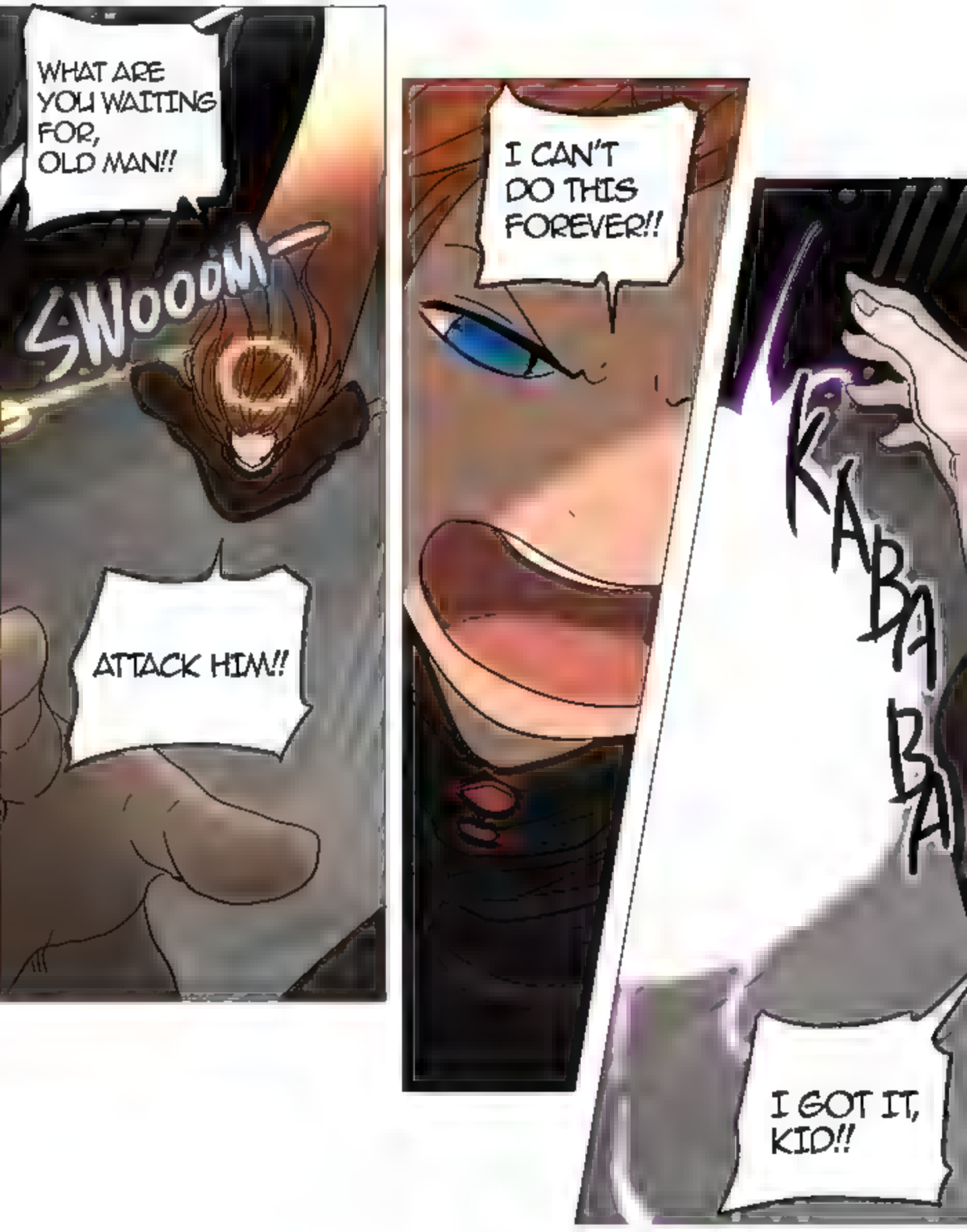
!
WHIR

WHIR
OOPS!
HEY, YOU.
OUCH!
WHIR
NO!
YOU ATTACK HIS VITAL POINTS NOW.

VITAL POINTS..?
BUT HE ISN'T OPENING HIS MOUTH ANY MORE.

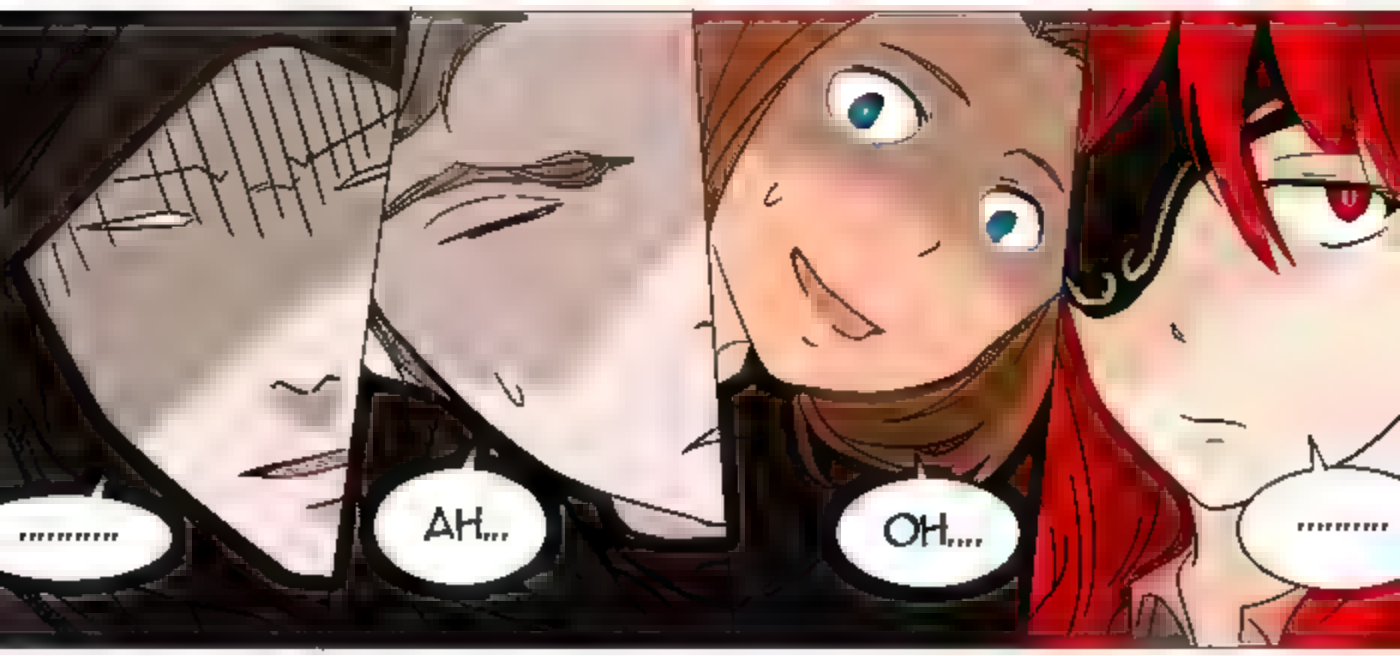
WHIR
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT HIS MOUTH, IDIOT.
I MEAN, ATTACK THERE.
WHIR
RIGHT THERE.
WHIR

HIT HIM WITH A LOW BLOW.
.....


WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR, OLD MAN!!
SWOOOM
ATTACK HIM!!
I CAN'T DO THIS FOREVER!!
KABABA
I GOT IT, KID!!

BOOM
I'M SORRY, GUARDIAN!!

COUGH-
!!


.....
AH...
OH....
.....

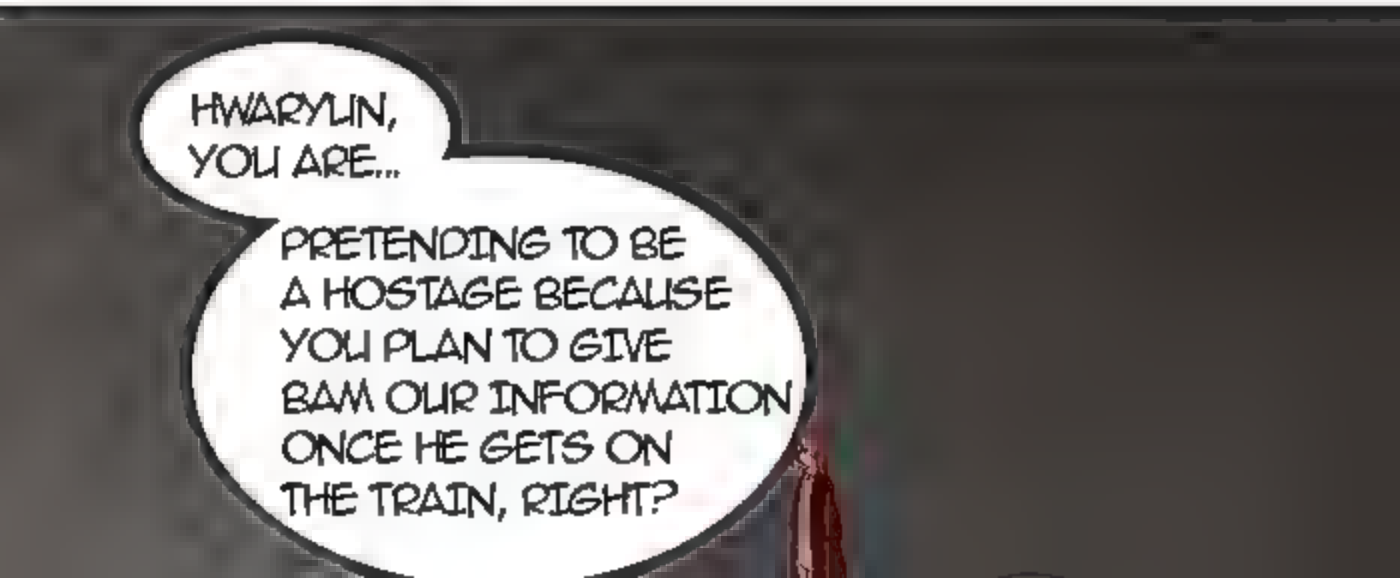
THUMP
OH, YEAH!

WHAT? THAT WAS EASIER THAN WE THOUGHT.
THAT'S IT?
I CAN' BELIEVE THE GUARDIAN WENT DOWN SO EASILY..
TAP-

....YOU'RE GREAT. YOU MADE US WORK AS A TEAM. WE'VE NEVER FOUGHT LIKE THIS BEFORE.
?

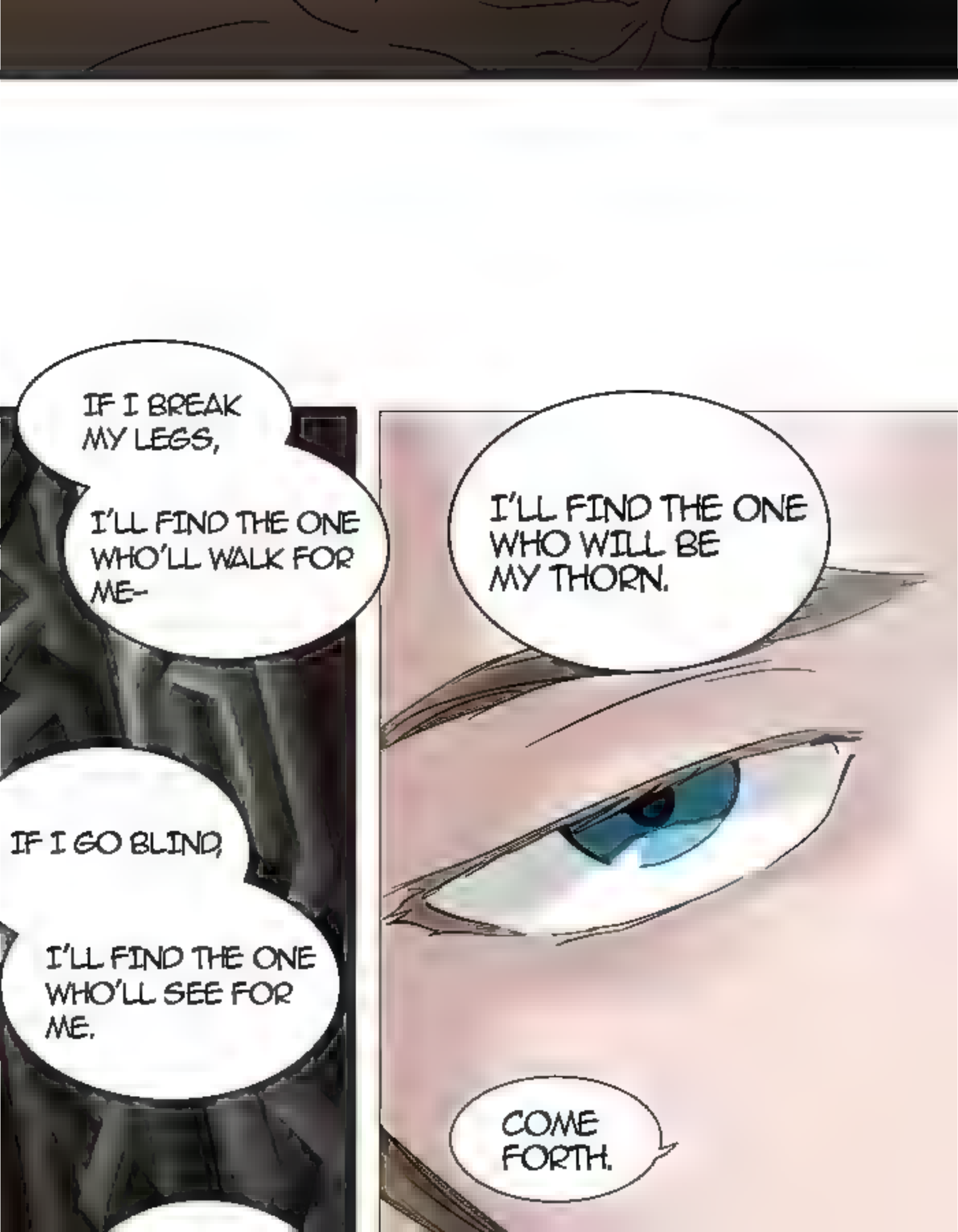
IS THIS THE ABILITY OF A GUIDE?
...WELL... THE MEMBERS ARE FAIRLY GOOD.
SINCE THEY ARE WELL BALANCED, THEY COULD BE STRONG IF THEY HAVE A LEADER.
THIS TEAM IS OUT OF YOUR LEAGUE..
AH- THAT'S OKAY.

BECAUSE I... WANT STRONGER TEAMMATES ANYWAY..


HWARYUN, YOU ARE...
PRETENDING TO BE A HOSTAGE BECAUSE YOU PLAN TO GIVE BAM OUR INFORMATION ONCE HE GETS ON THE TRAIN, RIGHT?

....?
AND TO FIND OUT WHAT OUR PURPOSE IS...
YOU'RE DOING JUST FINE, SINCE WE'RE ALMOST THERE.
YOU SAID.. YOU'D TEACH ME THE WAY TO BE THE HEROINE
WHEN YOU WERE GUIDING ME.
BUT... I'VE FOUND THE WAY TO BECOME A HEROINE MYSELF.

BUT IT WAS A LIE. THE HERO YOU CHOSE WAS BAM.
AND I WAS JUST BAIT TO MAKE HIM GO UP THE TOWER.
...WHAT?
IT'S NOTHING SPECIAL.
IF I WASN'T BORN TO BECOME A HEROINE FROM THE BEGINNING,
ALL I NEEDED WAS PEOPLE WHO'D SEND ME TO THE TOP OF THE TOWER.
IN THIS AWFUL DARKNESS...


IF I BREAK MY LEGS,
I'LL FIND THE ONE WHO'LL WALK FOR ME-
IF I GO BLIND,
I'LL FIND THE ONE WHO'LL SEE FOR ME.
I'LL FIND THE ONE WHO WILL BE MY THORN.
COME FORTH.

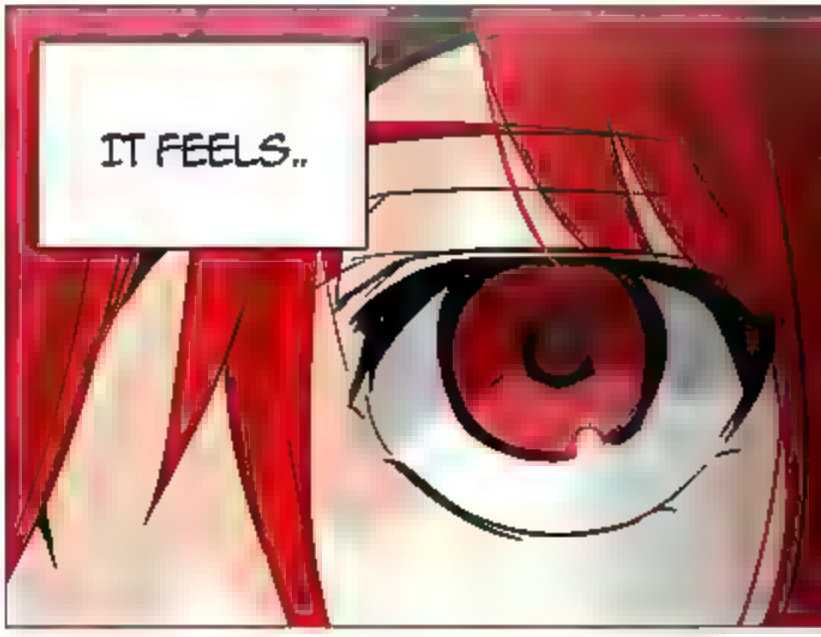
IF MY THORN BREAKS-
ALL I NEED TO DO IS FIND THEM.
THE GUY BEHIND THAT DOOR RIGHT NOW-

FIRST..
HOAQIN..!
IS THE ONE WHO WILL BE MY FIRST THORN.
UNEAK

SQUEAK

OH-

RUMBLE
SO, THAT'S HIM...?



SO DANGEROUS...

YOU'RE FINALLY HERE..

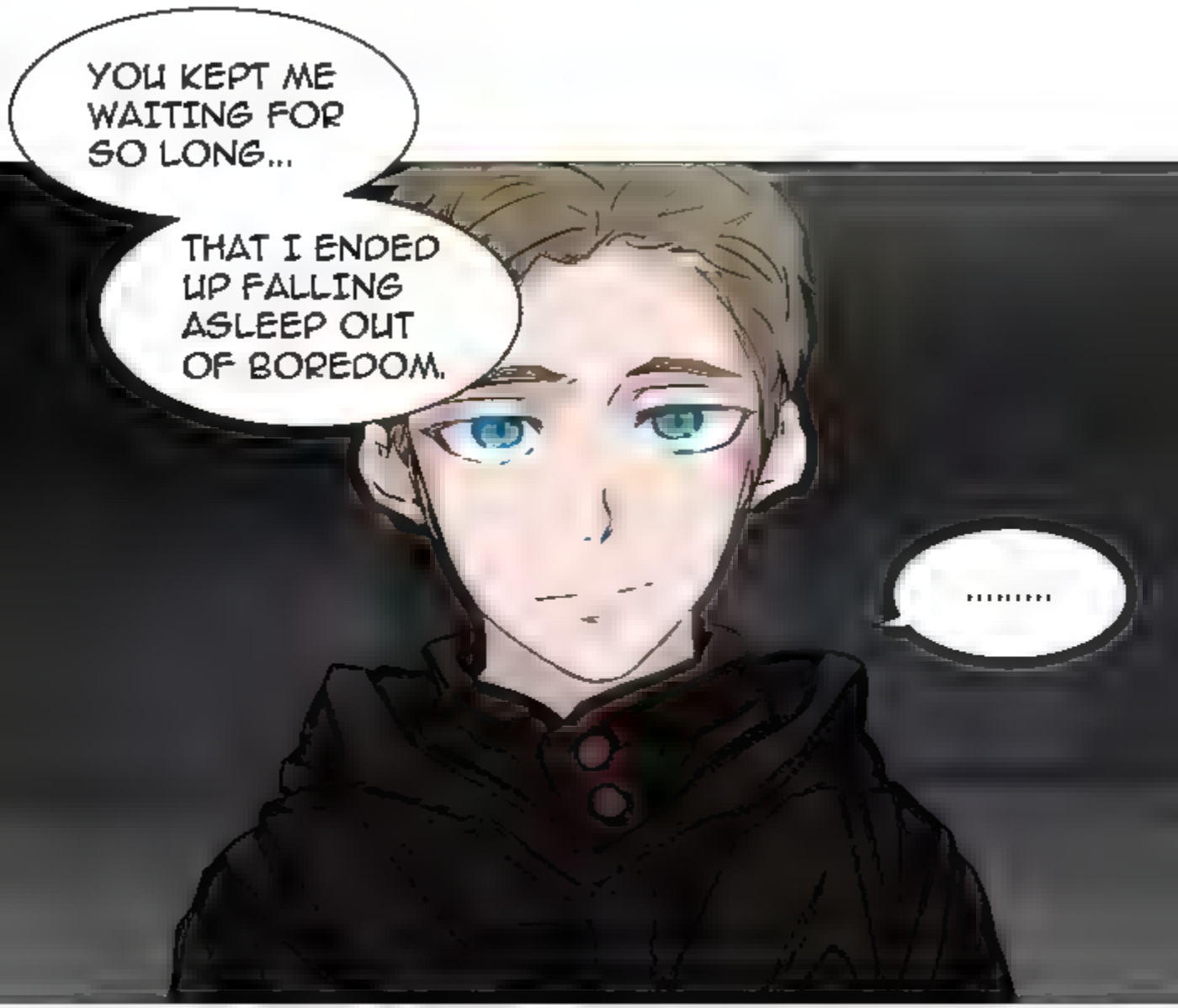
SSH-

I THOUGHT YOU WOULD NEVER COME.

IT'S BEEN A WHILE,
DANIEL.
CLANK

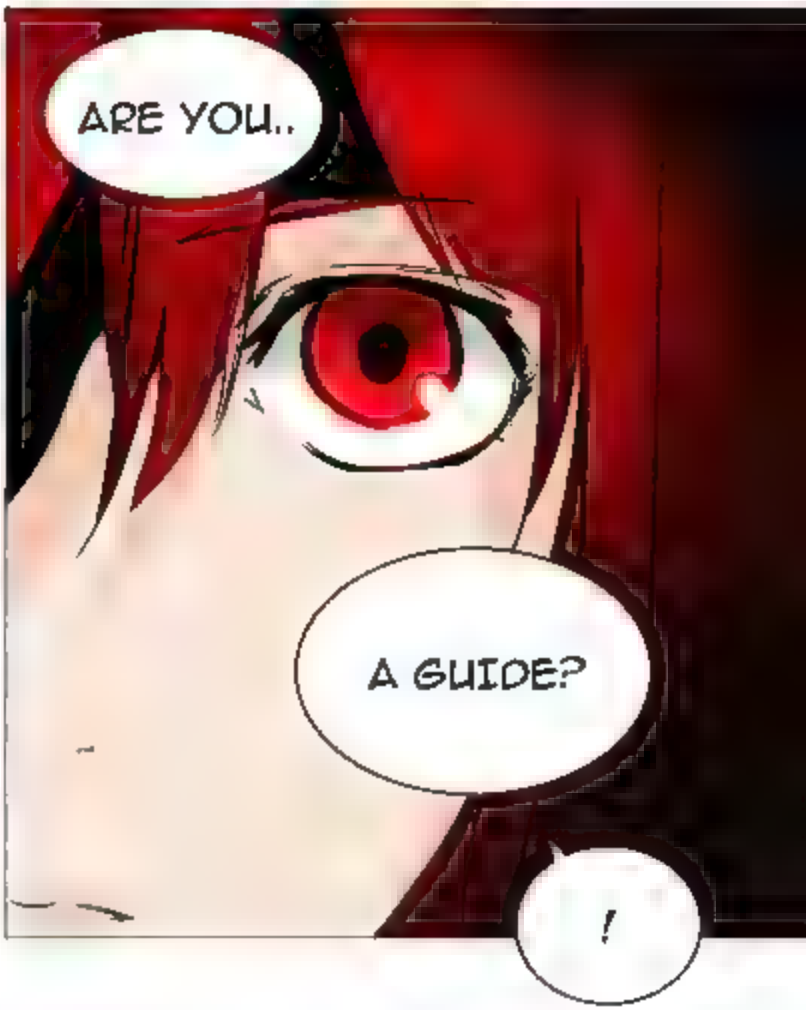
LINE Webtoon

IT'S BEEN A WHILE,
DANIEL.


YOU KEPT ME WAITING FOR SO LONG...
THAT I ENDED UP FALLING ASLEEP OUT OF BOREDOM.
.....

HURRY AND COME OUT, HOAQIN.
IT'S TIME TO START.
WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME.
OKAY...

HUH...?


ARE YOU..
A GUIDE?
!

WELL, WELL...
YOU BROUGHT A SPECIES WITH FILTHY BLOOD.
GLANCE
THEY ARE DISGUSTING, BUT I SHOULDN'T BE COMPLAINING ABOUT THAT.

BECAUSE YOU GUYS ARE QUITE USEFUL.

HUSH-

...YOU...
EVEN IF YOU KNOW SOMETHING,
DON'T YOU DARE SPEAK YOUR MAJESTY'S NAME WITH THAT MOUTH.
MY NAME IS HOAQIN.
STOMP-
STOMP-

I AM THE ONE WHO SEEKS TO REGAIN HIS THRONE.
AND WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF FUG, I WILL HAVE THE TOWER UNDER MY CONTROL.
SOON, YOU WILL COME TO KNOW

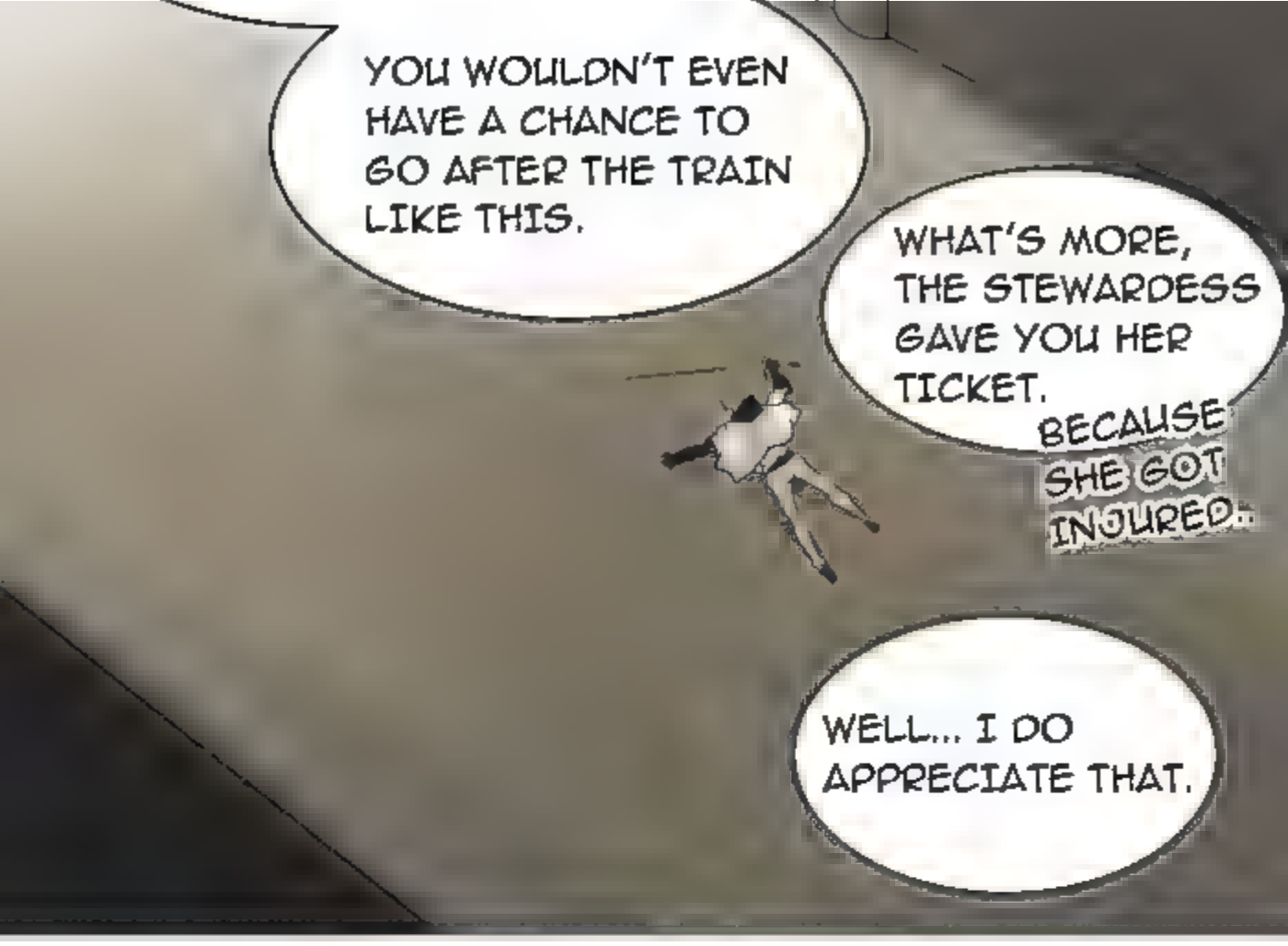
DUN
DUN
HOW GREAT I TRULY AM.
HE'S SMALL...!

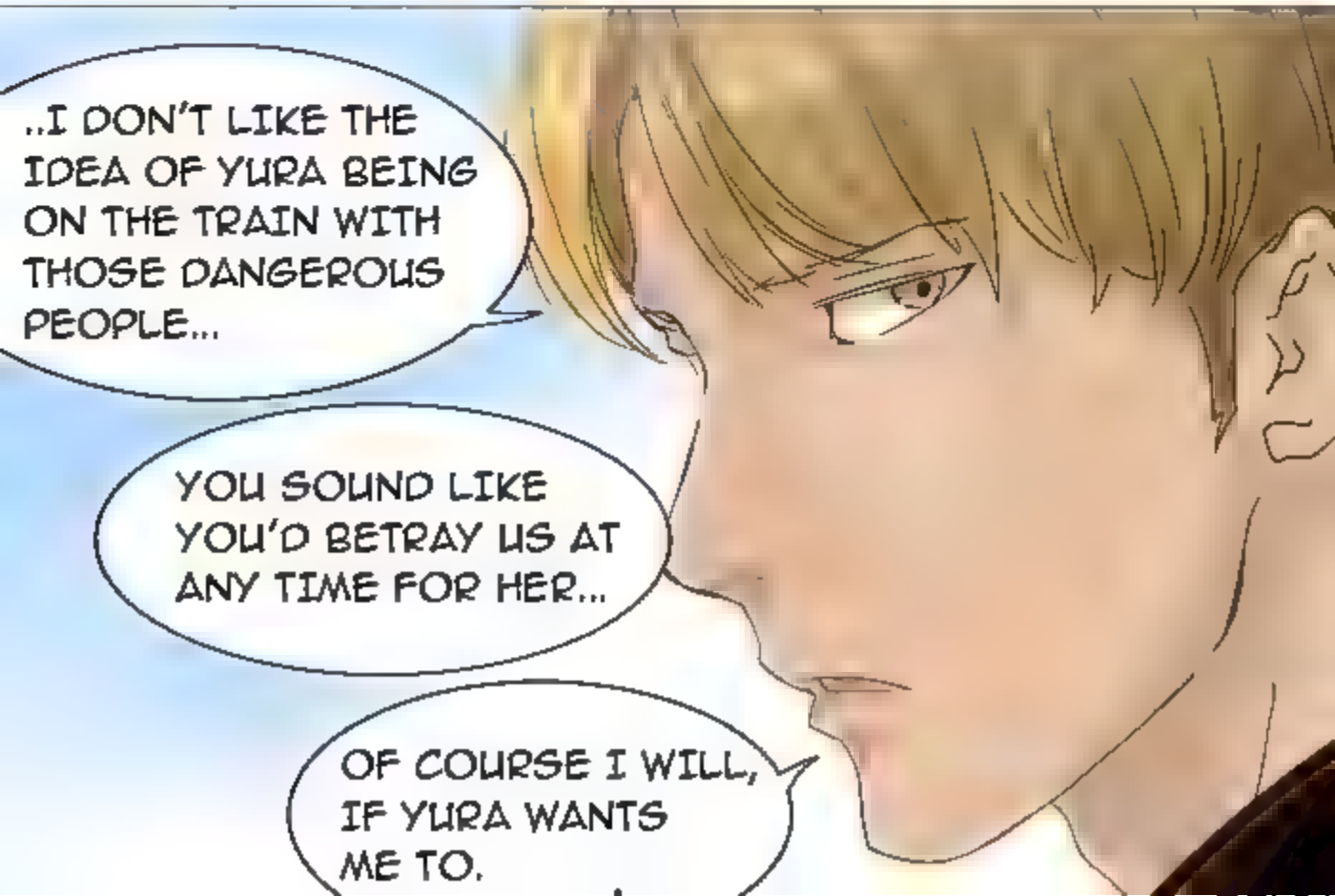
Talse uzer story by Slave. In. Utero

Tower of God

FLOOR 37
MIDDLE AREA
PHEW-
SHOOO
BORO'S PARTY
FINALLY,
WE CAN SEE
THE ROAD...

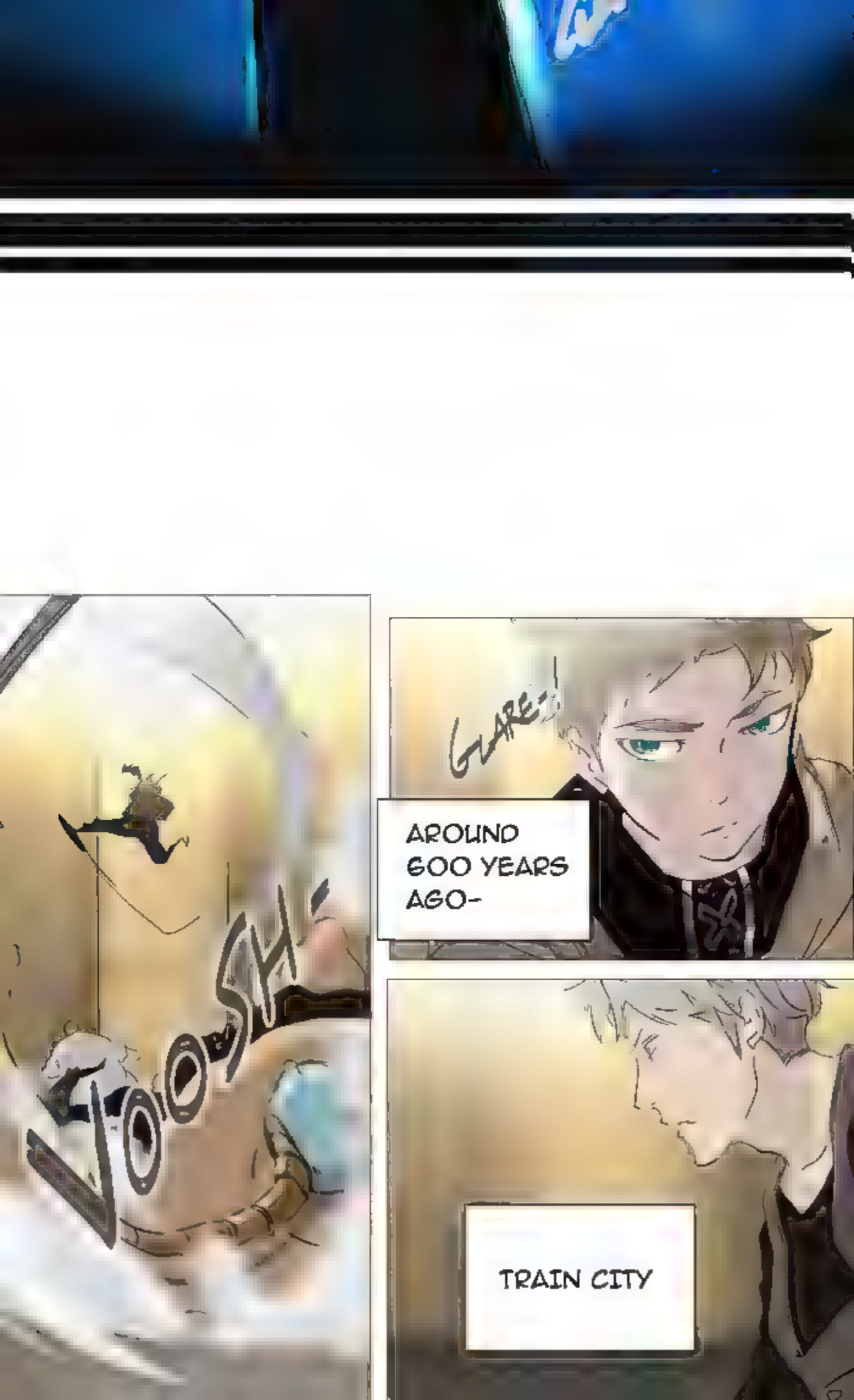
WHEW-
WE'LL ARRIVE AT THE STATION BY TOMORROW.
WE WILL MANAGE TO GET ON THE TRAIN.
I THINK AKA SHOULD HAVE MET FAKER BY NOW...
... THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR, BUT...
IT'S TOO HOT ON THIS FLOOR...
HEY, PIG. DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO DRINK?
DON'T CALL ME PIG LIKE IT'S MY NAME, MR. SWORDSMAN.
YOU WERE NEVER A PART OF OUR GROUP FROM THE START.
IF WE HADN'T BROUGHT YOU WITH US WHEN YOU WERE PASSED OUT AT TRAIN CITY THAT DAY,

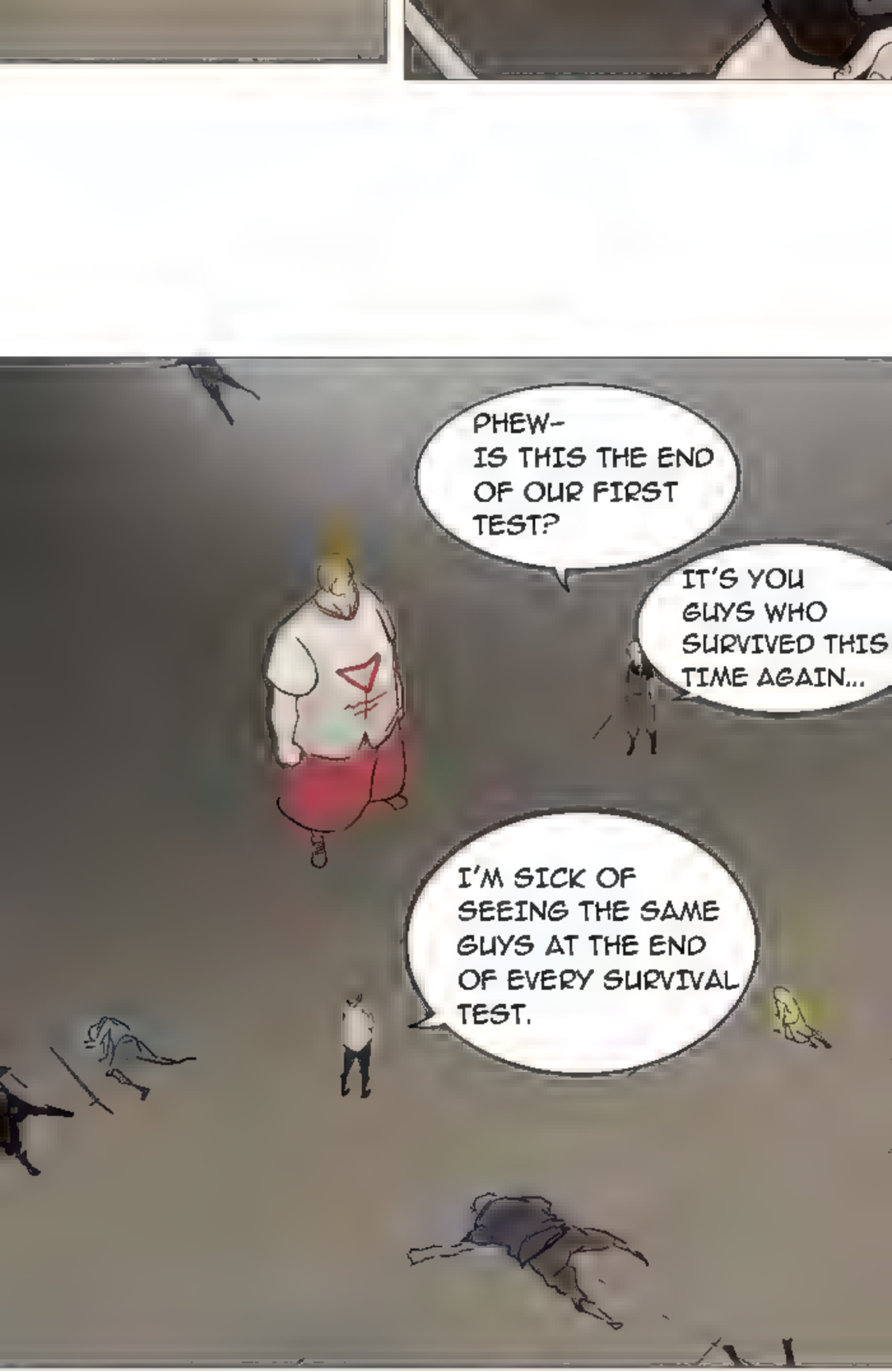

YOU WOULDN'T EVEN HAVE A CHANCE TO GO AFTER THE TRAIN LIKE THIS.
WHAT'S MORE, THE STEWARDESS GAVE YOU HER TICKET.
BECAUSE SHE GOT INJURED..
WELL... I DO APPRECIATE THAT.


..I DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF YURA BEING ON THE TRAIN WITH THOSE DANGEROUS PEOPLE...
YOU SOUND LIKE YOU'D BETRAY US AT ANY TIME FOR HER...
OF COURSE I WILL, IF YURA WANTS ME TO.

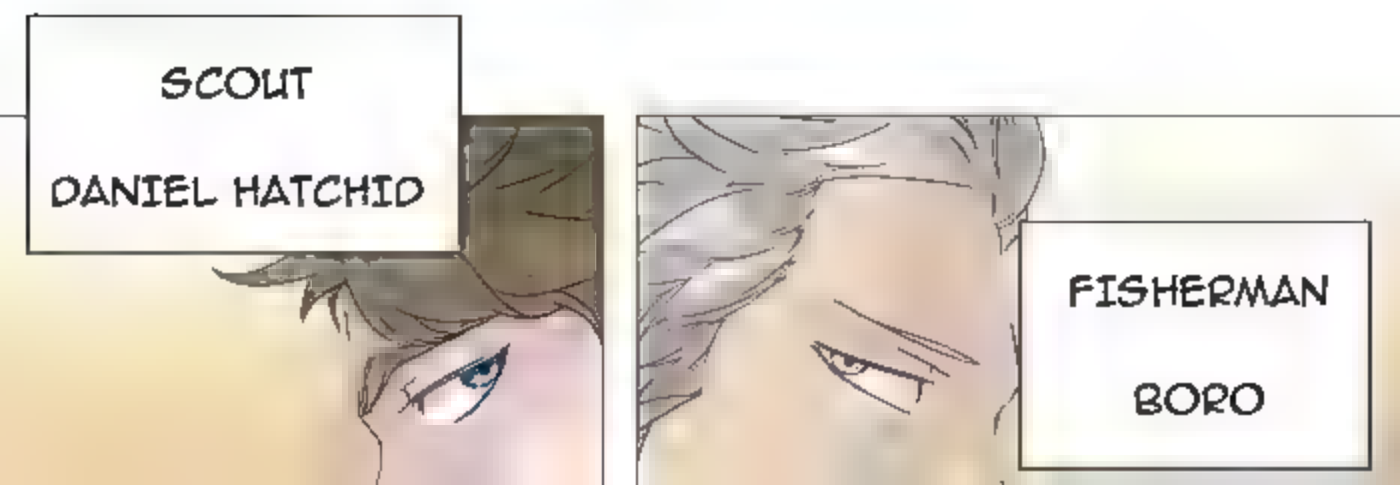
HEY!
DUDE!
ANYWAY...
THE STORY YOU TOLD US...
IS THAT TRUE?
THE GUY THEY'RE TRYING TO WAKE UP... IS HE REALLY THAT EVIL?
YES,
IT'S TRUE.
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT HOAQIN AGAIN?
WHAT EXACTLY DID HE DO...
TO MAKE YOU THINK THAT WAY, TEACHER?
HOAQIN IS..
THE EPITOME OF "EVIL".
THERE WAS ONLY ABSOLUTE DARKNESS IN HIM...

I MET HIM... ON THE TRAIN
QUITE A LONG TIME AGO.


FOOSH
GLARE
AROUND 600 YEARS AGO-
TRAIN CITY


PHEW-
IS THIS THE END OF OUR FIRST TEST?
IT'S YOU GUYS WHO SURVIVED THIS TIME AGAIN...
I'M SICK OF SEEING THE SAME GUYS AT THE END OF EVERY SURVIVAL TEST.

AKA WILLIAMS.
HOW IS IT THAT YOU GET BIGGER EVERY TIME I SEE YOU?
HMPH..
DEFENDER
AKA WILLIAMS

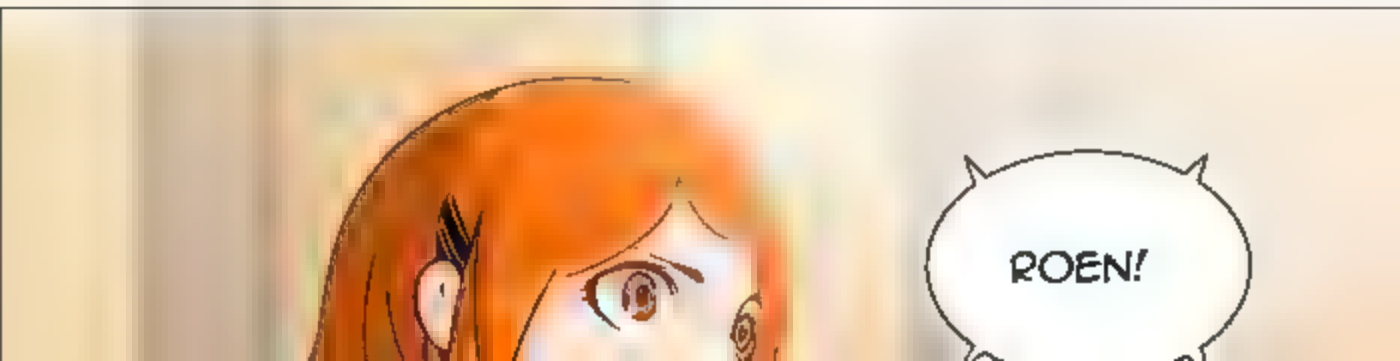

SCOUT
DANIEL HATCHID
FISHERMAN
BORO

AND BORO...
I'M SICK OF SEEING YOUR FACE THE MOST.
YOU ANNOYING BASTARD.
SHUT UP, KID.
IT'S NOT LIKE I ENJOY SEEING YOUR FACE EITHER.
IT LOOKS AS YOU GUYS ARE HAPPY TO BE REUNITED AGAIN.
I HAVE TO SAY, WHEN IT COMES TO GETTING ON THE TRAIN, YOU GUYS ARE THE BEST.
STOMP
STOMP

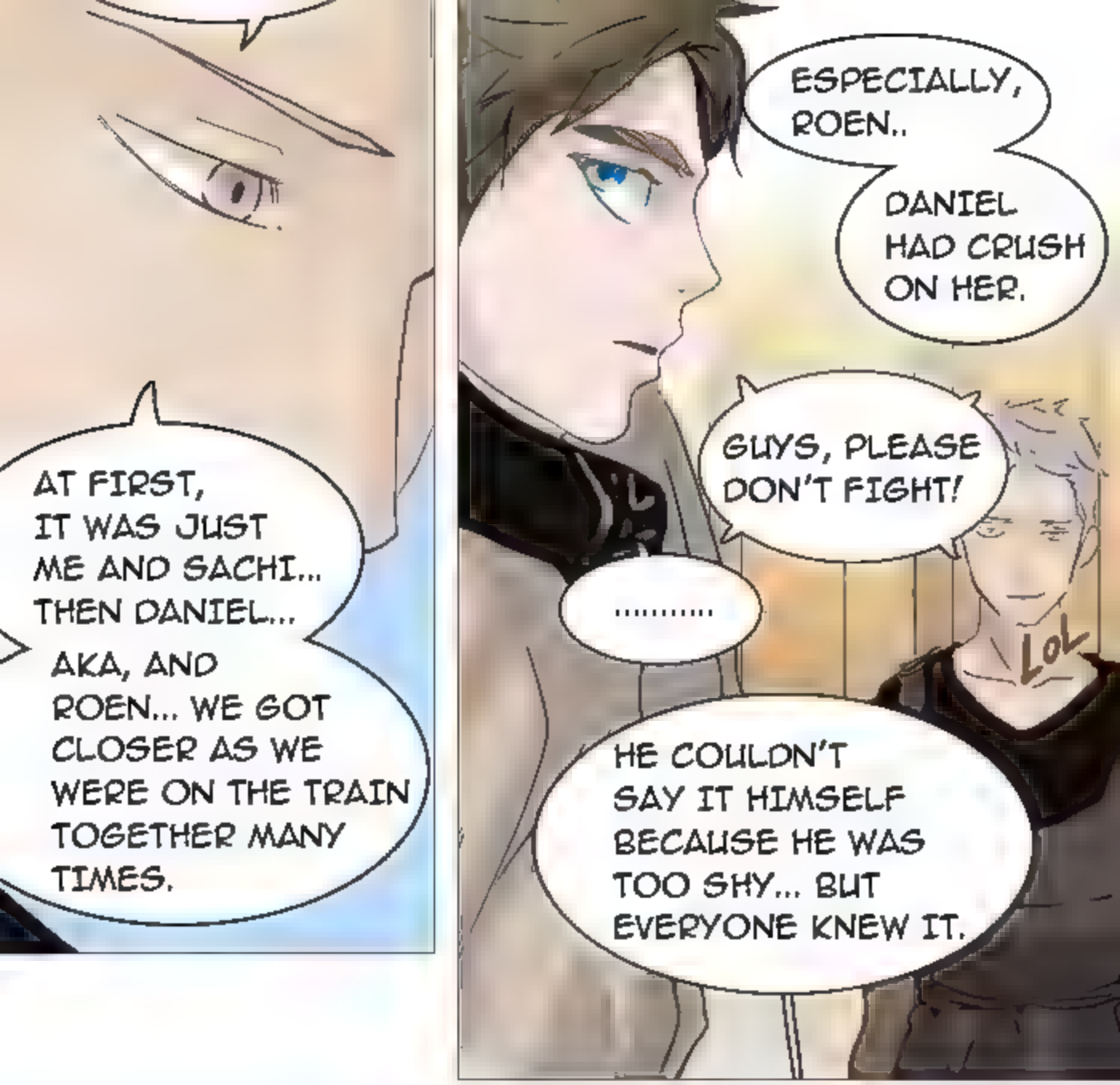
SACHI!
YOU TWO NEVER SEEM TO CHANGE AT ALL... BORO AND DANIEL.
WAVE CONTROLLER
SACHI FAKER

AH-
I WAS THINKING THE SAME THING, SACHI..
HOW IS THAT DANIEL NEVER GETS ANY TALLER?
ARGHHHH, I'M GONNA KILL THAT BASTARD!!

WHY DO YOU TWO ALWAYS FIGHT WHENEVER YOU MEET EACH OTHER?
?
THIS VOICE IS...


ROEN!

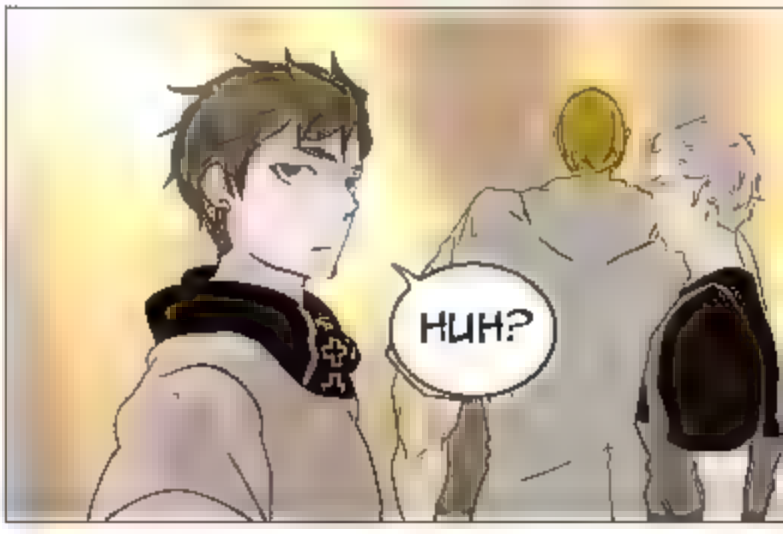
THE FIVE OF US...
MET ON THE TRAIN
BY COINCIDENCE,
AND BECAME
FRIENDS.


AT FIRST, IT WAS JUST ME AND SACHI... THEN DANIEL...
AKA, AND ROEN... WE GOT CLOSER AS WE WERE ON THE TRAIN TOGETHER MANY TIMES.
ESPECIALLY, ROEN..
DANIEL HAD CRUSH ON HER.
GUYS, PLEASE DON'T FIGHT!
.....
LOL
HE COULDN'T SAY IT HIMSELF BECAUSE HE WAS TOO SHY... BUT EVERYONE KNEW IT.

WE GOT ON THE TRAIN WITH EACH OF OUR OWN GOALS IN THE BEGINNING,
BUT AT THAT TIME, WE REALIZED...

LET'S GO!
THIS TIME! WE WILL CONQUER THE TRAIN!
THAT WE WERE GETTING ON THE TRAIN TO MEET EACH OTHER.

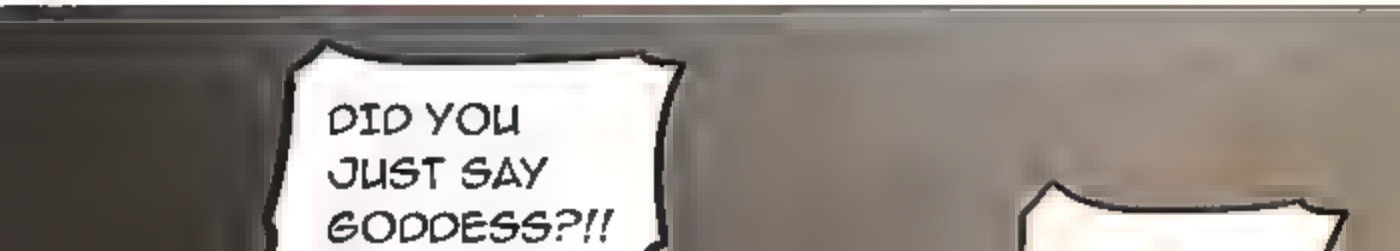
AAARGH!!
TADADADA-


HUH?

THE TICKET!! GIVE ME THE TICKET!
EEEERRR AAAAH!
HEY, GET LOST!
COUGH-!!

THIS MUST BE YOU FIRST TIME TRYING TO GET ON THE TRAIN...
I'M SORRY, BUT THERE'S NO TICKET FOR WEAKLINGS LIKE YOU.
COUGH
GO TRY SOMEWHERE ELSE. BEAT IT.
DANIEL!
COUGH-
COUGH-
DON'T YOU THINK YOU ARE BEING TOO HARSH TO A BEGINNER?
COMPETING IS GOOD, BUT WE ALWAYS NEED TO BE CONSIDERATE OF THE WEAK!
...WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

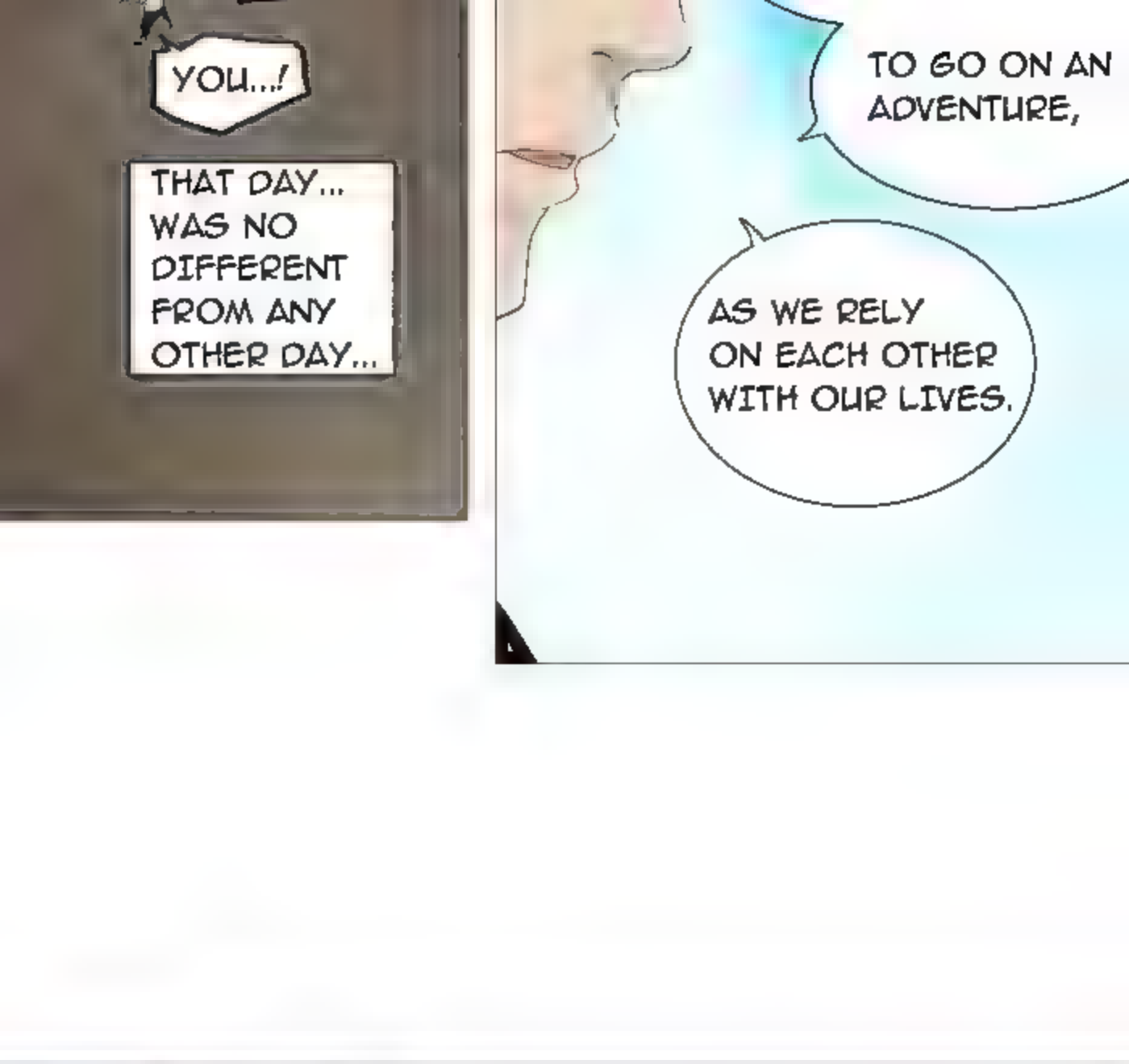
I'M SAYING THAT YOU'VE GOT TO TAKE CARE OF THE PEOPLE AROUND US IN ORDER TO WIN!
GET UP.
IT SEEMS THAT YOU HAVE NO FRIENDS HERE...
WE CAN'T GIVE YOU A TICKET, BUT WE CAN GIVE YOU THE BOARDING PASS IF YOU WANT.
...G.. GODDESS..
TOUCHED

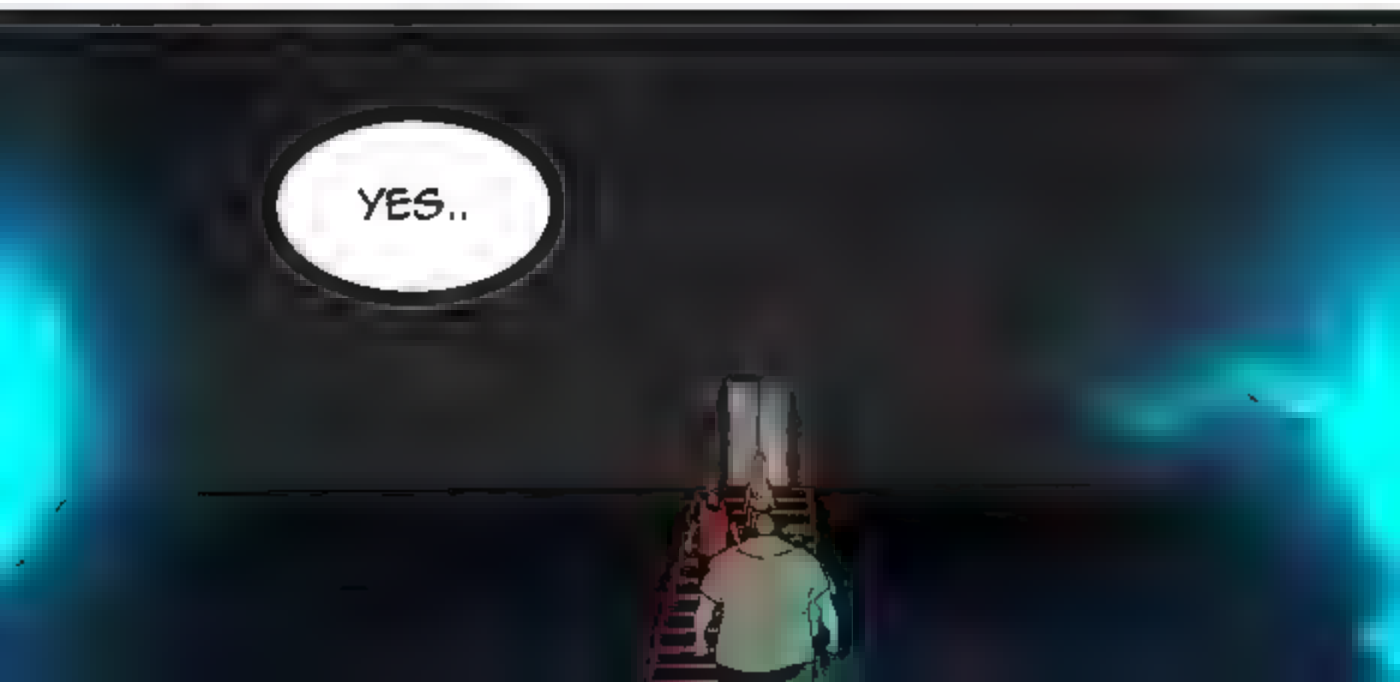

DID YOU JUST SAY GODDESS?!!

ARE YOU BLIND?
HEY!
AARGH! H...HELP ME, GODDESS!
..YOU ARE THE ONE WHO IS BLIND, DANIEL.
DANIEL!!

LET'S GO!
YES! GODDESS!

WE THOUGHT THAT WE'D BE GOING ON THE TRAIN...


YOU...!
THAT DAY... WAS NO DIFFERENT FROM ANY OTHER DAY...
TO GO ON AN ADVENTURE,
AS WE RELY ON EACH OTHER WITH OUR LIVES.


YES..

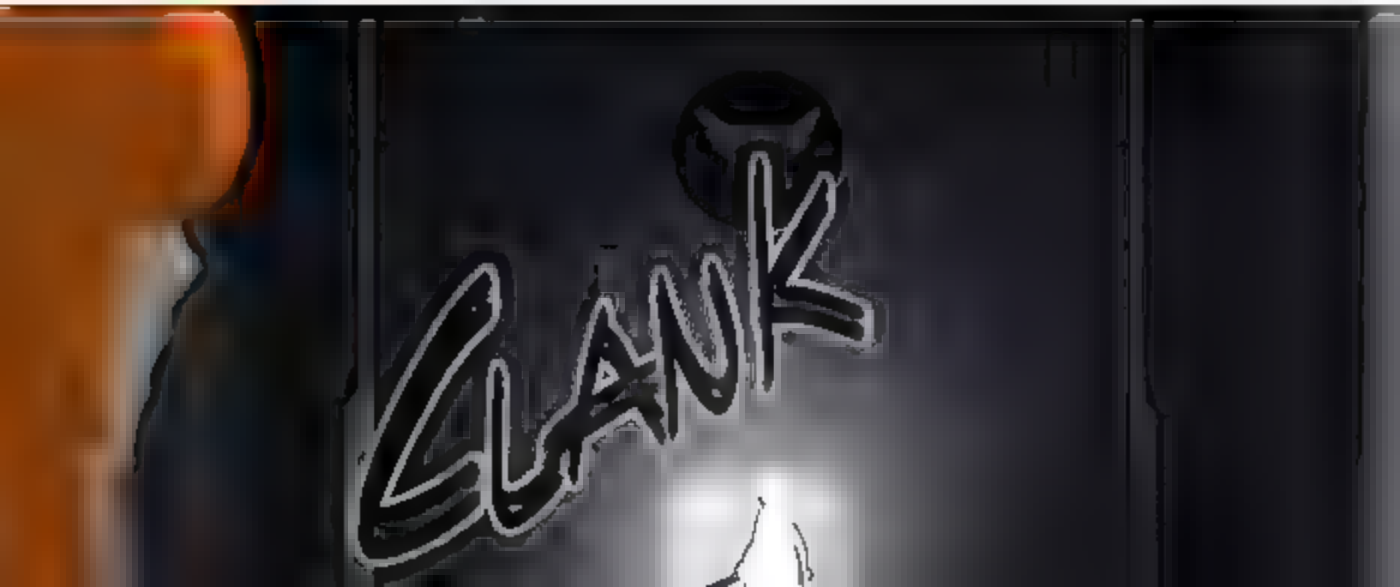
WE REALLY THOUGHT IT WOULD BE LIKE THAT...

YOUR TICKET HAS BEEN CONFIRMED.

WHIP

BEEP
THE ENTRANCE TO THE TRAIN WILL NOW OPEN.

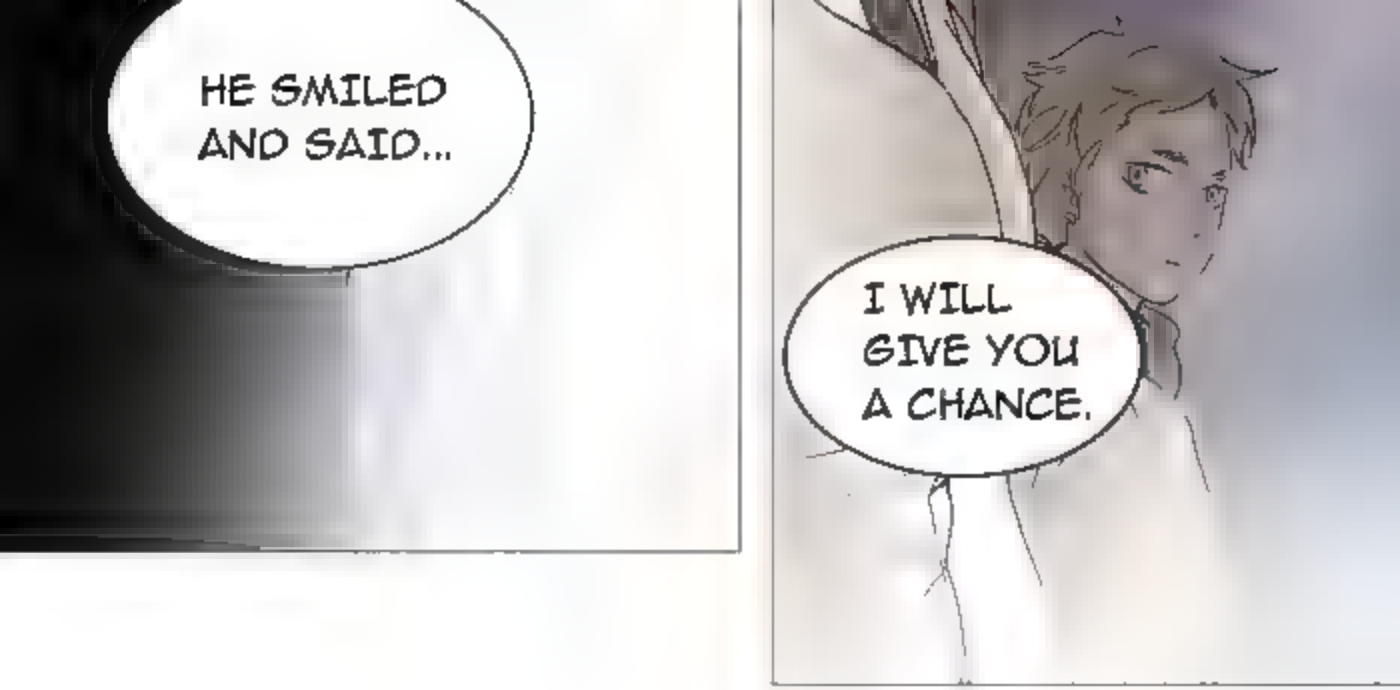
UNTIL WE MET "THAT GUY" ON THE HELL TRAIN.


CLANK

...HOAQIN.

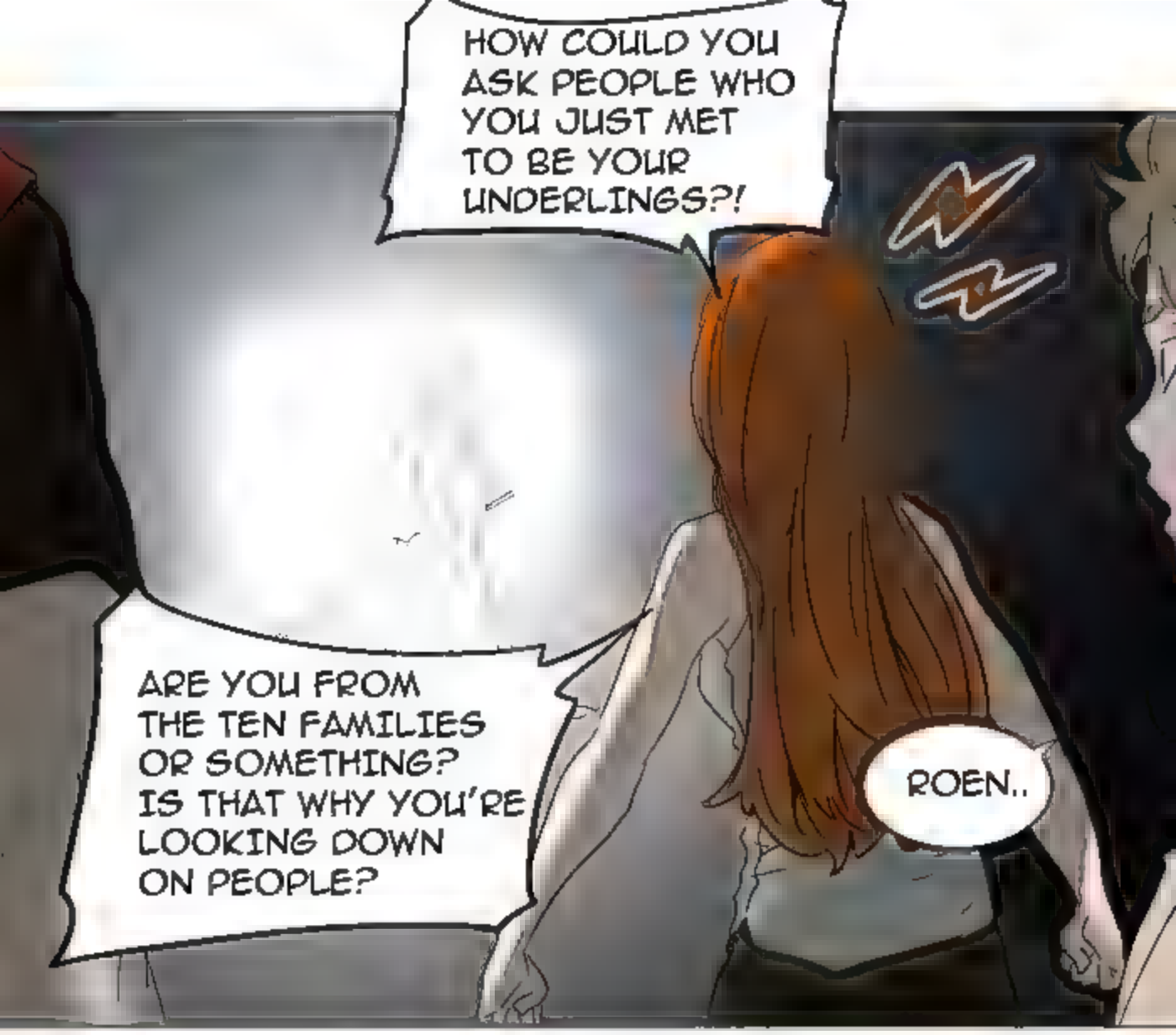
WHEN HE FIRST SAW US...
AS THE DOOR OPENED,
GRIN-

.....
SINCE YOU GUYS SEEM INTERESTING.


HE SMILED AND SAID...
I WILL GIVE YOU A CHANCE.

"WILL YOU BE MY UNDERLINGS?"-

WHAT?! UNDERLINGS?
GNASH
ARE YOU KIDDING ME? WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?
WELL.. I CAN'T TELL YOU MY NAME, BUT...
YOU CAN CALL ME 'HOAQIN'.
HEY, YOU!
DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE BEING TOO RUDE?!


HOW COULD YOU ASK PEOPLE WHO YOU JUST MET TO BE YOUR UNDERLINGS?!
ARE YOU FROM THE TEN FAMILIES OR SOMETHING? IS THAT WHY YOU'RE LOOKING DOWN ON PEOPLE?
ROEN..

I'M SORRY, BUT YOU'LL BE KILLED SOON IF YOU ACT WITH SUCH PRIDE ON THE TRAIN.
SO, BE HUMBLE OR YOU'LL BE SORRY!

...YOU SURE KNOW HOW TO MOVE YOUR MOUTH.

I'VE SEEN MANY SONS OF THE TEN FAMILIES DIE IN VAIN ON THE TRAIN!!
WELL... I DON'T BELONG TO THE TEN FAMILIES RIGHT NOW, BUT...
I AM GOING TO BE AT A HIGHER PLACE.

I AM TO BECOME FUG'S SLAYER SOON.
I'VE COME ON THE TRAIN IN ORDER TO GAIN THE POWER TO TAKE BACK MY THRONE.

!! WHAT?!
HE INTRODUCED HIMSELF AS A SLAYER NOMINEE.
AND THE PEOPLE ON THE TRAIN BECAME HIS UNDERLINGS ONE BY ONE.
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT THE GUYS ON THE TRAIN WANTED TO BECOME HOAQIN'S UNDERLINGS.
HE SEEMED TO BE FROM A DANGEROUS PLACE, BUT THAT JUST DREW IN MORE ATTENTION.

HE PROMISED THEM STATUS AND GLORY... AND EVEN THOUGH WE WERE DISCONTENT WITH HIM, WE HAD TO BECOME PART OF HIS GROUP IN ORDER TO SURVIVE ON THE TRAIN.

WITH EVERYTHING ELSE ASIDE... HE WAS AMAZINGLY STRONG.

AND ONE DAY WHEN WE THOUGHT HE TURNED EVERYONE ON THE TRAIN OVER TO HIS SIDE...

WHIR

ROEN!!

SOMETHING HAPPENED.

DANIEL..

I...

ROEN.. WHY... DID YOU...

KILL OUR TEAMMATE..?

NO...
IT WASN'T ME..!

IT WAS BECAUSE...
BECAUSE OF
THAT GUY.

HOAQIN...!!

HE SET
EVERYTHING UP..!
I HAD NO CHOICE.

PLEASE DON'T TELL ANYONE ELSE ABOUT THIS, DANIEL...

.....ROEN..

PLEASE... IF YOU DO... EVERYONE WILL HATE ME...

HE USED THE POSITION OF BEING A LEADER AND,

GRAB

IT'S OKAY.

AND THAT WAS THE BEGINNING... OF THE DISASTER.

IT'S OKAY, ROEN...

HE MADE PEOPLE KILL EACH OTHER...

IN ORDER TO GAIN BACK... HIS POWER.

I WON'T TELL ANYBODY.

CLANK

I CAN LIE...

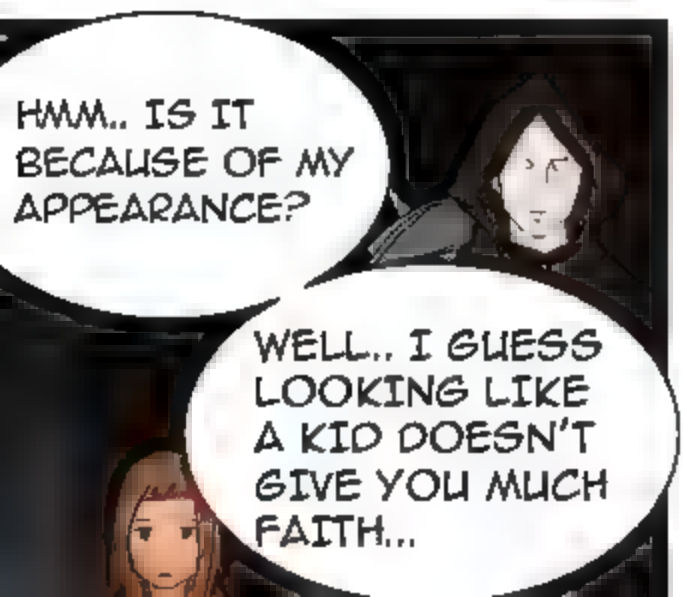
..ABOUT ANYTHING, IF IT'S FOR YOU.

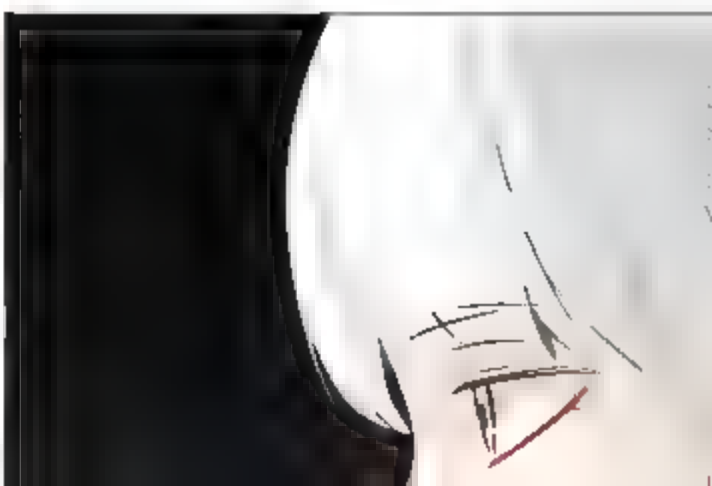
CLANK

I STILL CAN NOT FORGET...
THE CRUEL THINGS HE HAD DONE ON THE TRAIN AFTER THAT DAY...
THAT'S WHEN I REALIZED... THAT WHAT MAKES THE HELL TRAIN "HELL" IS NOT THE TRAIN...

BUT A "MONSTER".

WHY IS EVERYONE LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT?
HUH?


HMM.. IS IT BECAUSE OF MY APPEARANCE?
WELL.. I GUESS LOOKING LIKE A KID DOESN'T GIVE YOU MUCH FAITH...

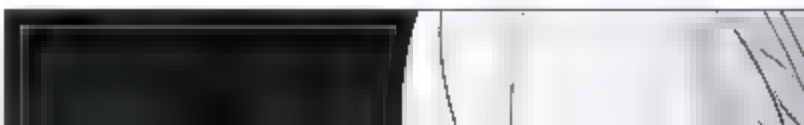


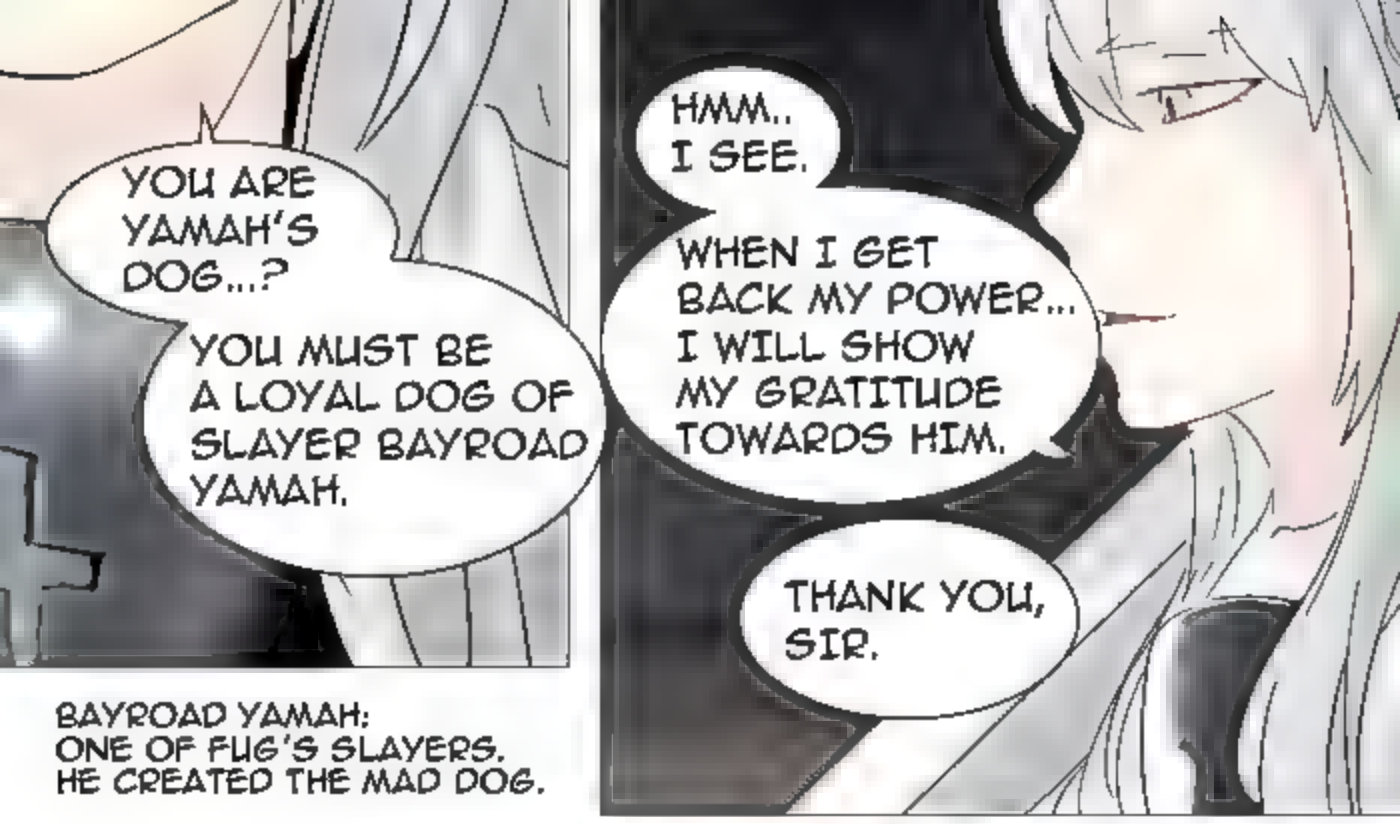
HEY, YOU OVER THERE. TELL ME.
?
CAN YOU REALLY NOT FEEL THE GREATNESS IN ME
BECAUSE I LOOK LIKE A WEAK KID?
FLOP
THAT'S NOT TRUE, SIR HOAQIN.

I, SIR YAMAH'S LOYAL DOG, BUELSAR ELLIOT,
FEEL YOUR GREAT POWER JUST AS YOU ARE NOW.

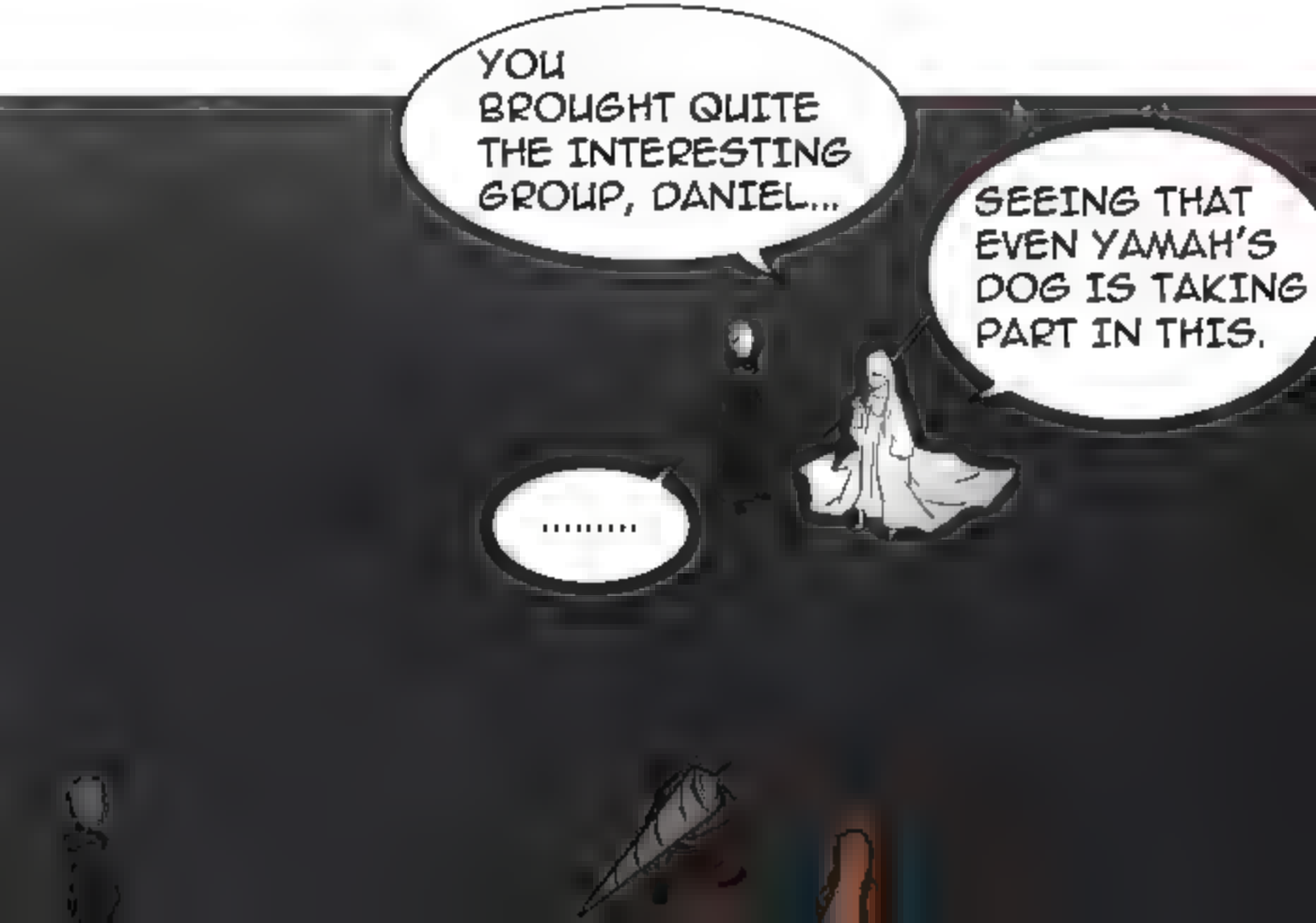
OH- IS THAT SO?

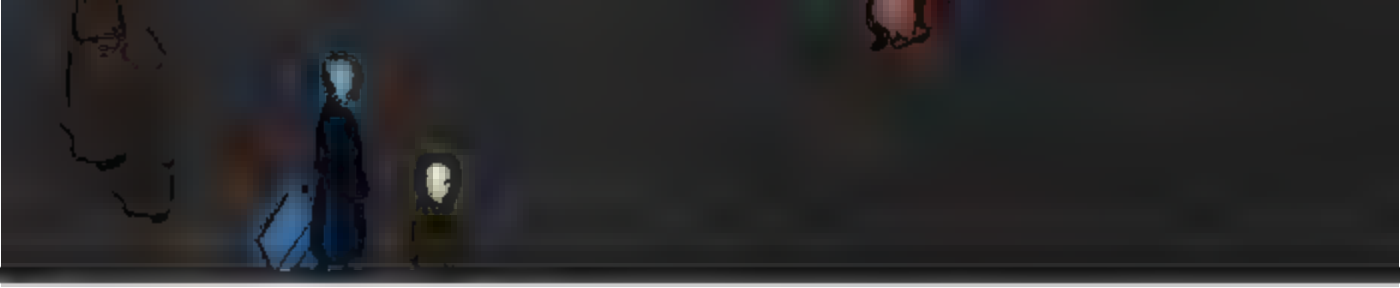
THAT'S RIGHT.
PLEASE MAKE AN AFFLUENT USE OF MYSELF.

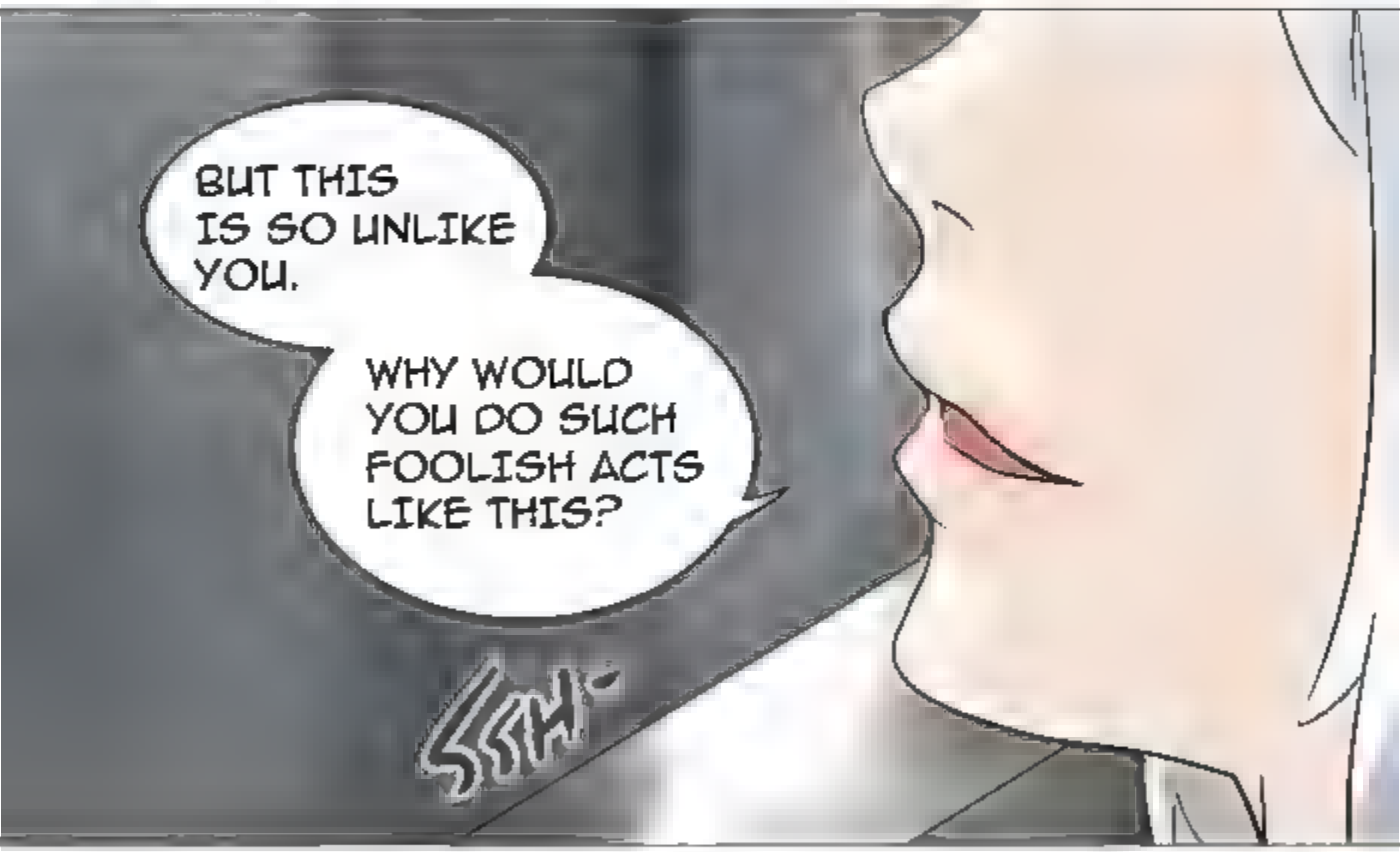


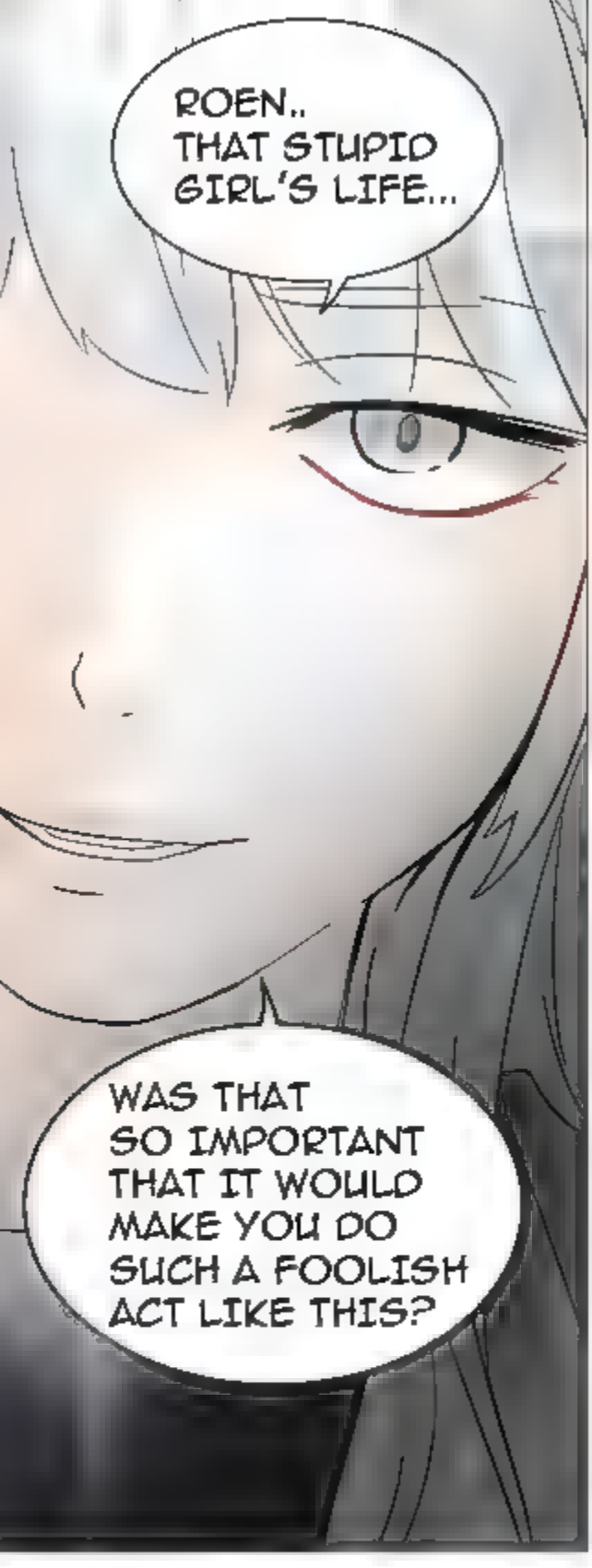

YOU ARE YAMAH'S DOG...?
YOU MUST BE A LOYAL DOG OF SLAYER BAYROAD YAMAH.
HMM.. I SEE.
WHEN I GET BACK MY POWER... I WILL SHOW MY GRATITUDE TOWARDS HIM.
THANK YOU, SIR.

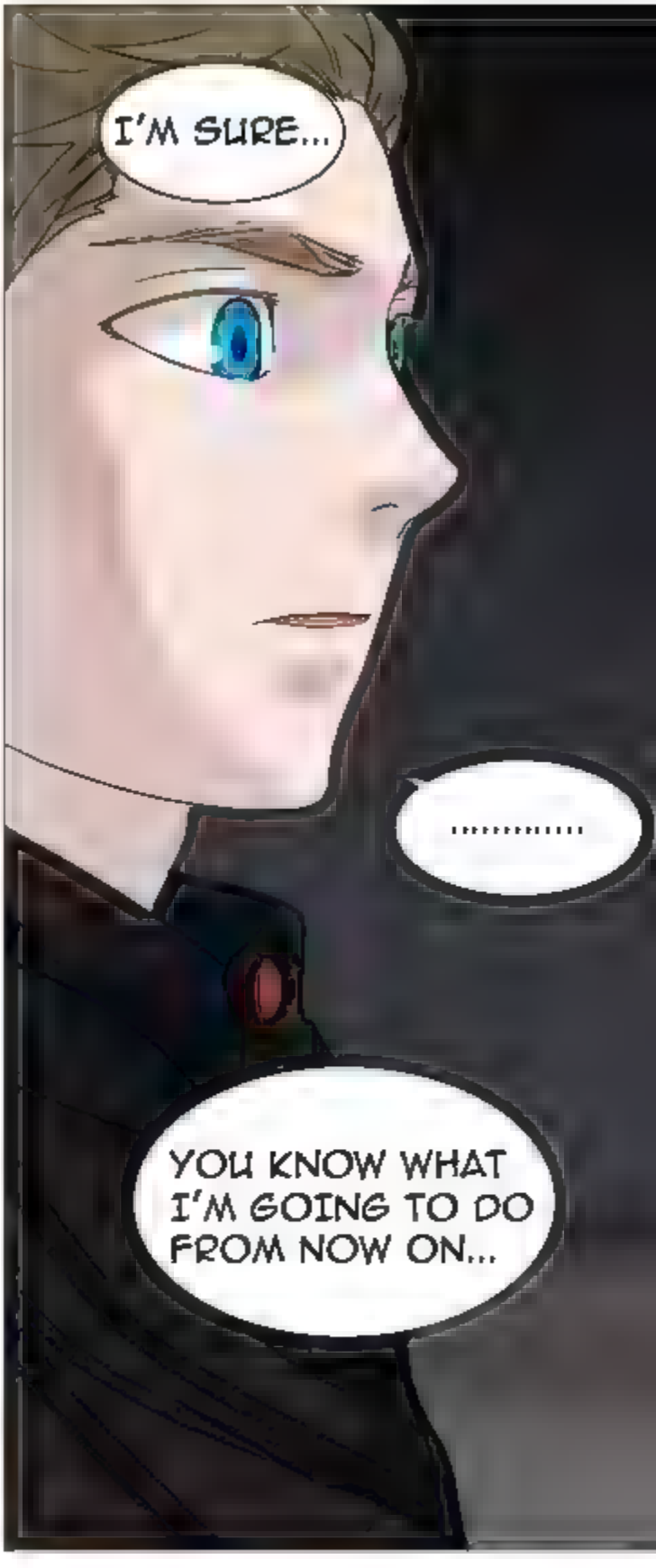
BAYROAD YAMAH:
ONE OF FUG'S SLAYERS.
HE CREATED THE MAD DOG.

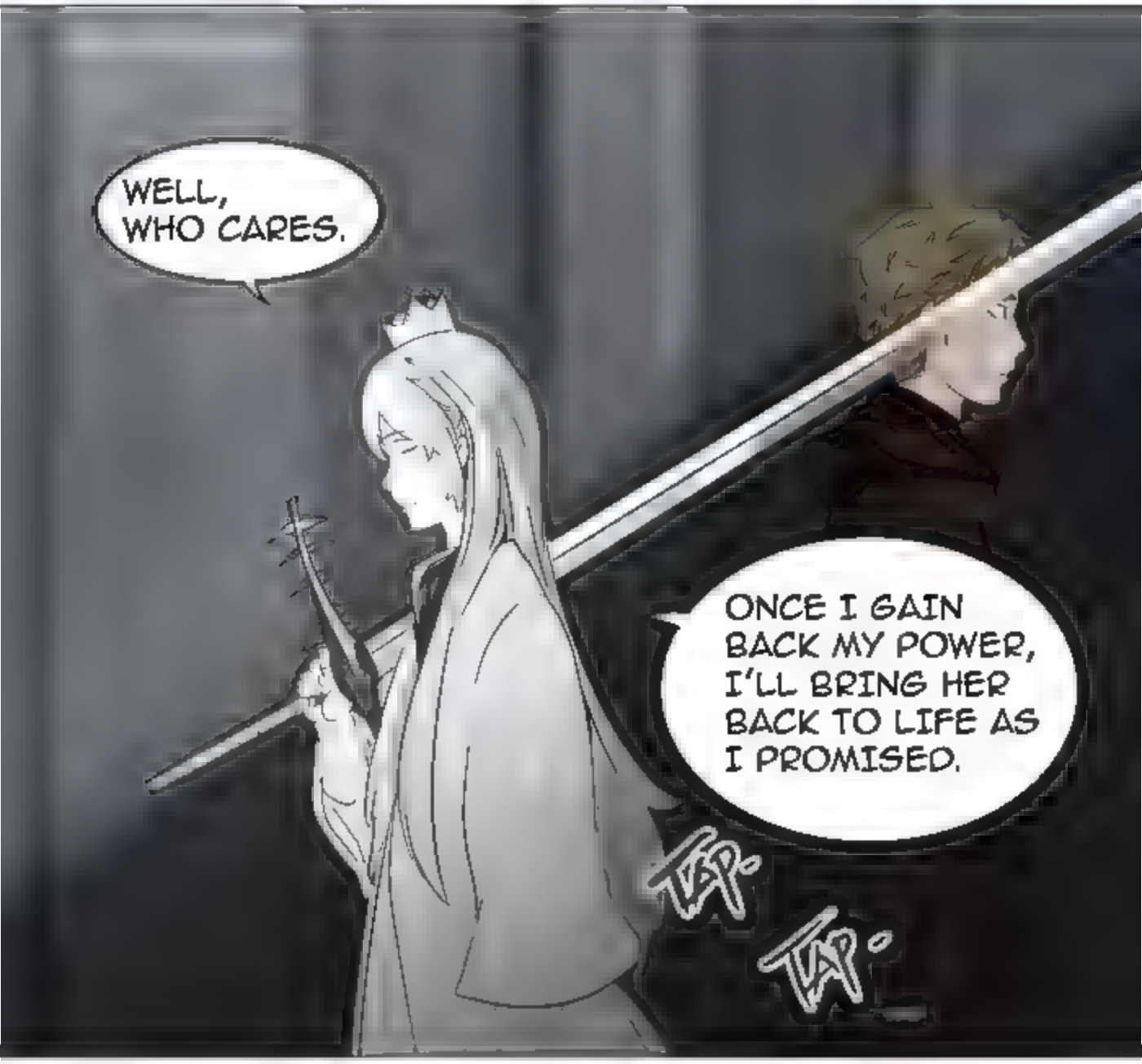


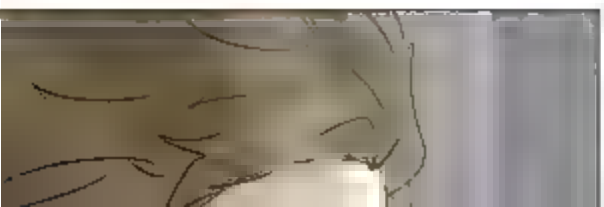


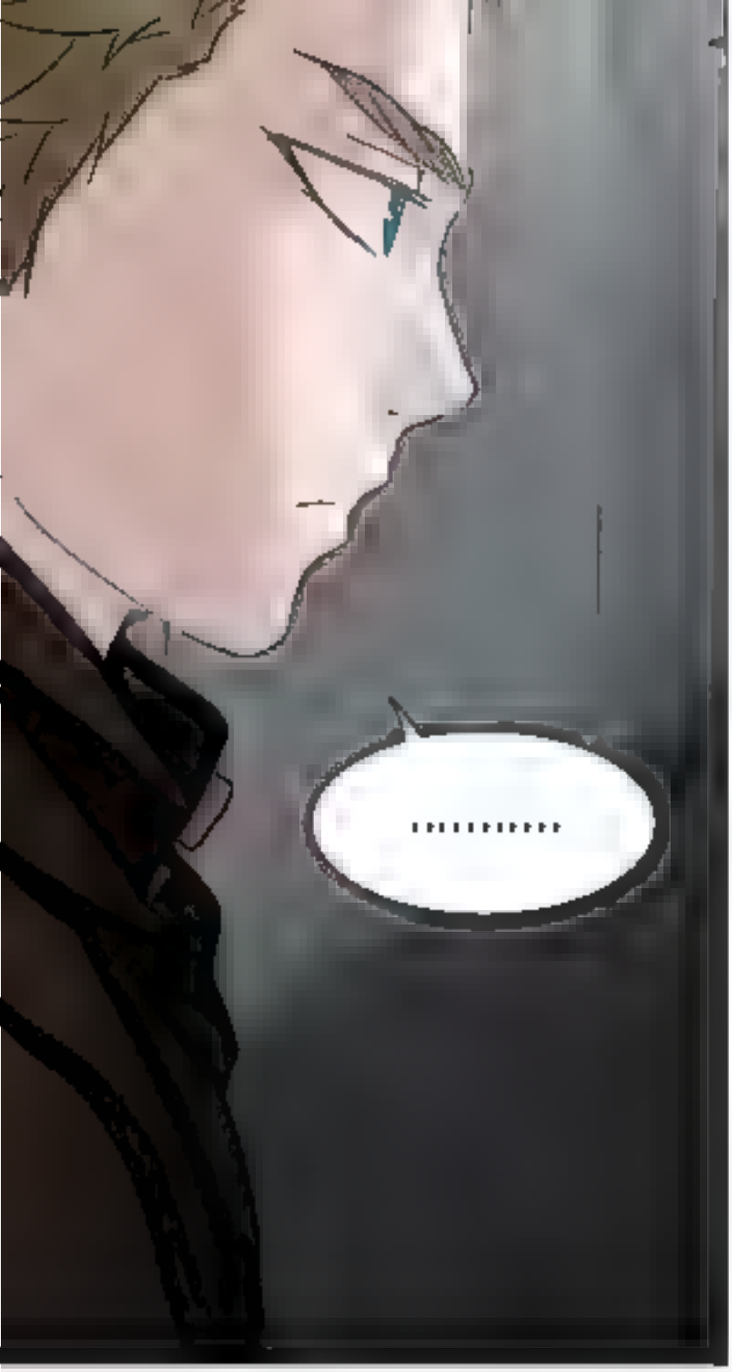

BUT THIS IS SO UNLIKE YOU.
WHY WOULD YOU DO SUCH FOOLISH ACTS LIKE THIS?
SSH-


ROEN..
THAT STUPID
GIRL'S LIFE...
WAS THAT
SO IMPORTANT
THAT IT WOULD
MAKE YOU DO
SUCH A FOOLISH
ACT LIKE THIS?


I'M SURE...
.....
YOU KNOW WHAT
I'M GOING TO DO
FROM NOW ON...


WELL, WHO CARES.
ONCE I GAIN BACK MY POWER, I'LL BRING HER BACK TO LIFE AS I PROMISED.
TAP.
TAP.

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HMM-
BY THE WAY,
WHO ARE THOSE PEOPLE STANDING OVER THERE?

AH.. HELLO, SIR HOAQIN.
MY NAME IS RACHEL.. AND THIS IS YURA HA.
WE'VE COME HERE TO HELP YOU, SIR HOAQIN.

...HELP ME?

HERE.
WE WILL HELP YOU BY USING THIS DEVICE.
TAP

HOW WILL YOU DO THAT?

?

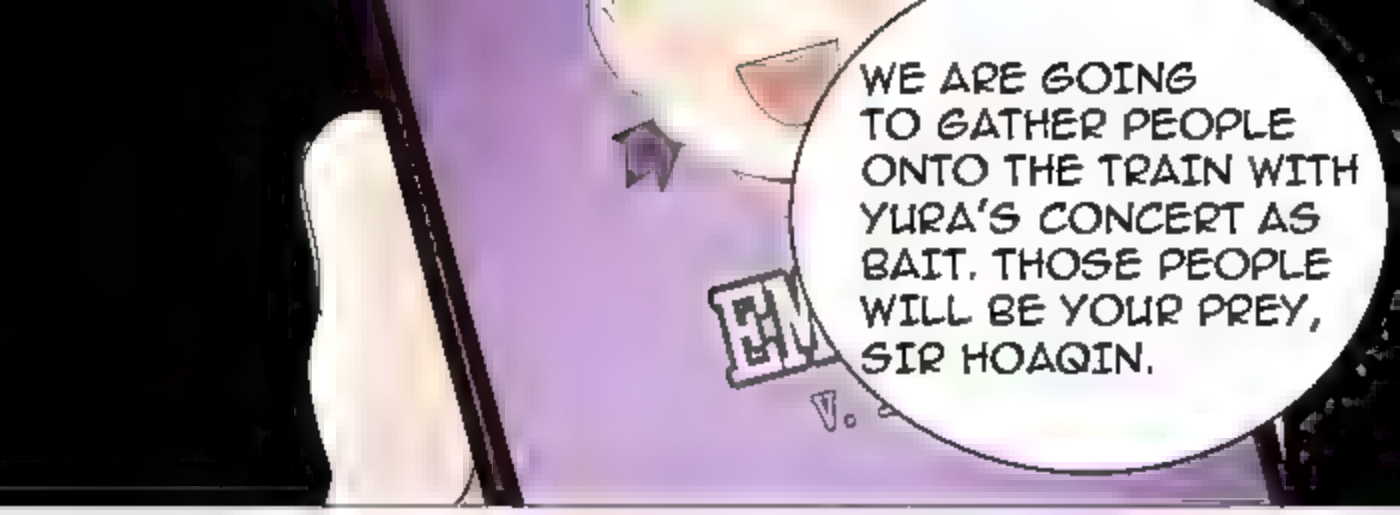
WHAT IS THIS?

IT'S A DEVICE FOR A PROGRAM CALLED EMILY.

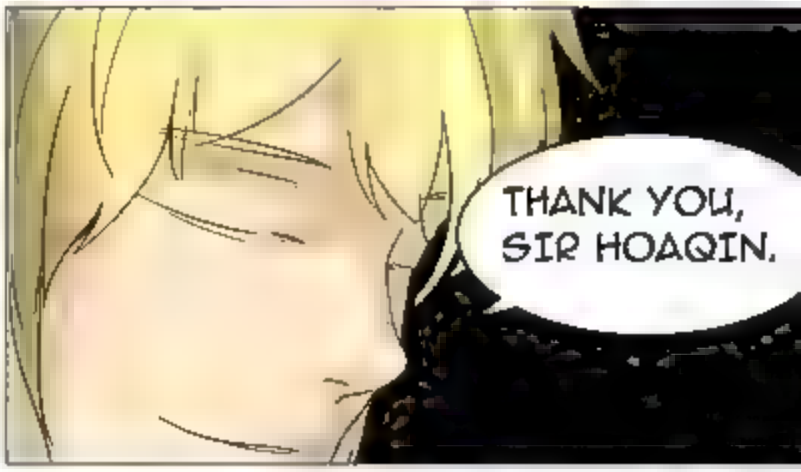
EMILY?

YES, IT'S A DEVICE THAT WE USE TO CONTROL PEOPLE BY USING INFORMATION.

IN ORDER TO GATHER THE SOULS NEEDED TO BRING BACK YOUR POWER,

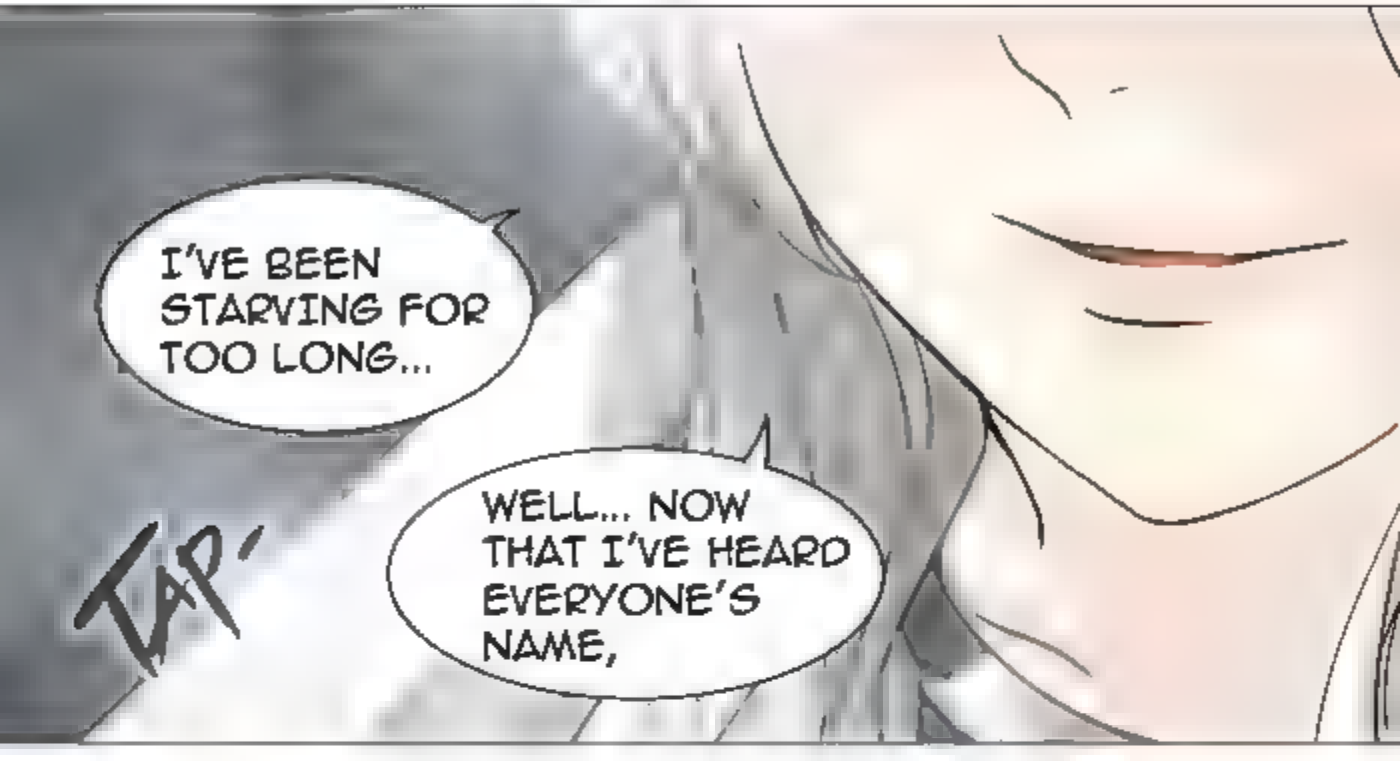

WE ARE GOING TO GATHER PEOPLE ONTO THE TRAIN WITH YURA'S CONCERT AS BAIT. THOSE PEOPLE WILL BE YOUR PREY, SIR HOAQIN.

OH..
YOU CAN DO THAT WITH THIS DEVICE?
HOW AMAZING.


THANK YOU, SIR HOAQIN.

YOU'RE WELCOME.
LOL
.....

GROWL
.....EMM.

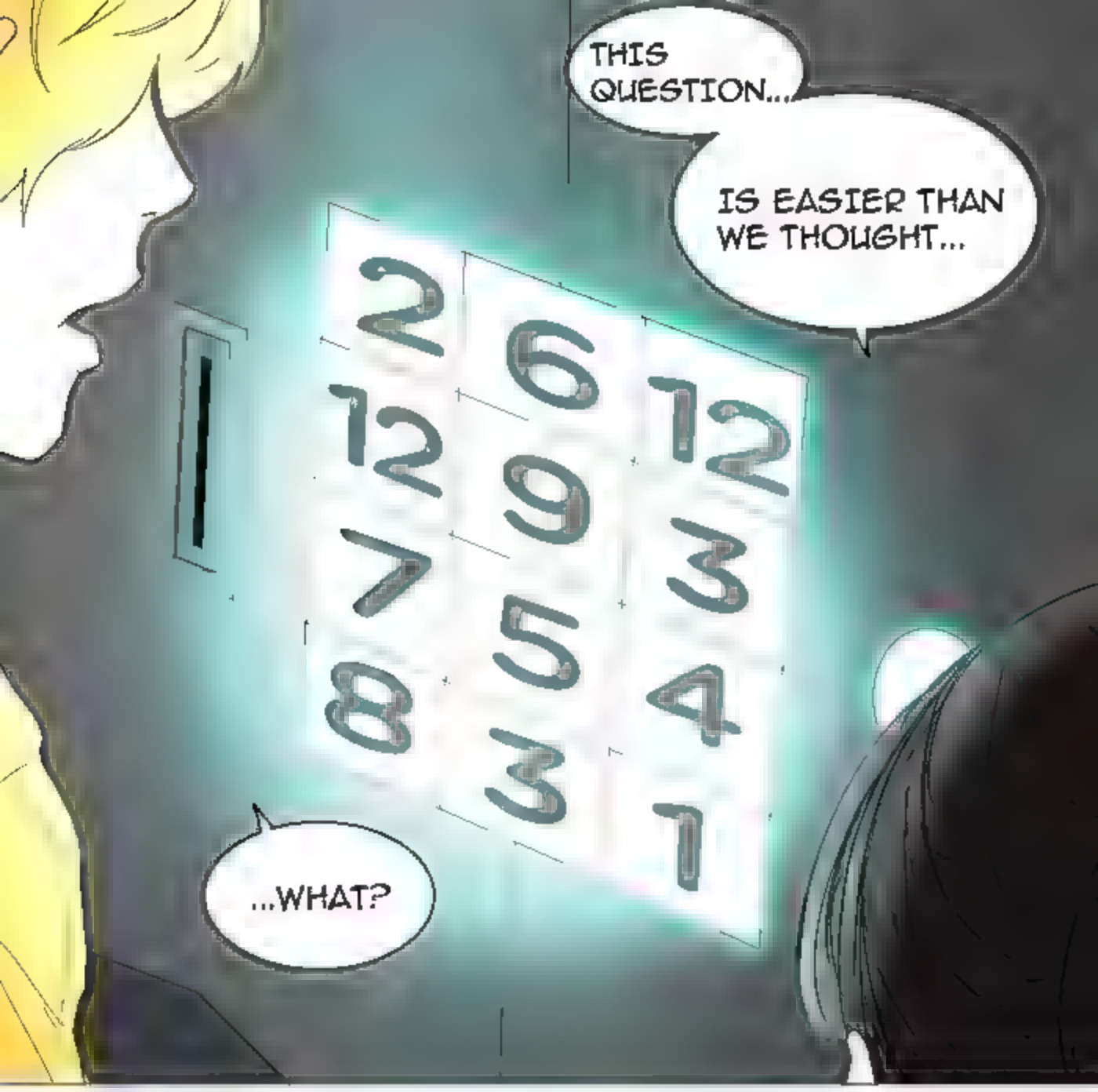

I'VE BEEN STARVING FOR TOO LONG...
TAP
WELL... NOW THAT I'VE HEARD EVERYONE'S NAME,

LET'S MOVE.
I CAN'T WAIT TO EAT THE SOULS THAT WILL FILL MY STOMACH!

LINE Webtoon

AAARGH!!
WHAT THE HELL...?

DAMN IT.. WE CAN'T CATCH UP TO HWARYUN UNLESS WE SOLVE THIS...
WE'VE GOT TO SOLVE THIS...
BUT, WE ONLY HAVE ABOUT TWO MINUTES NOW...
PLEASE, SOLVE IT, YOU STUPID BRAIN...!
THROB
THROB
HOW CAN YOU BE SO USELESS FOR AN ENTIRE LIFE..?!
H...HOLD ON, WANGNAN.
?


THIS QUESTION...
IS EASIER THAN WE THOUGHT...
...WHAT?

LET'S SEE.. IF WE MOVE "12" TO THIS SIDE...
THERE ARE FOUR DIAGONAL LINES LEFT, SO...
SSH-
SSH-

SO, IF WE ADD THE NUMBERS IN THOSE DIAGONAL LINES...
YOU SEE..? LIKE THIS...
2 6 12
7 5 4
8 3 1
OH, I...IS IT...?!
I DON'T GET IT ONE BIT..!
WHIR-
...!

DUN
DUN
.....!!

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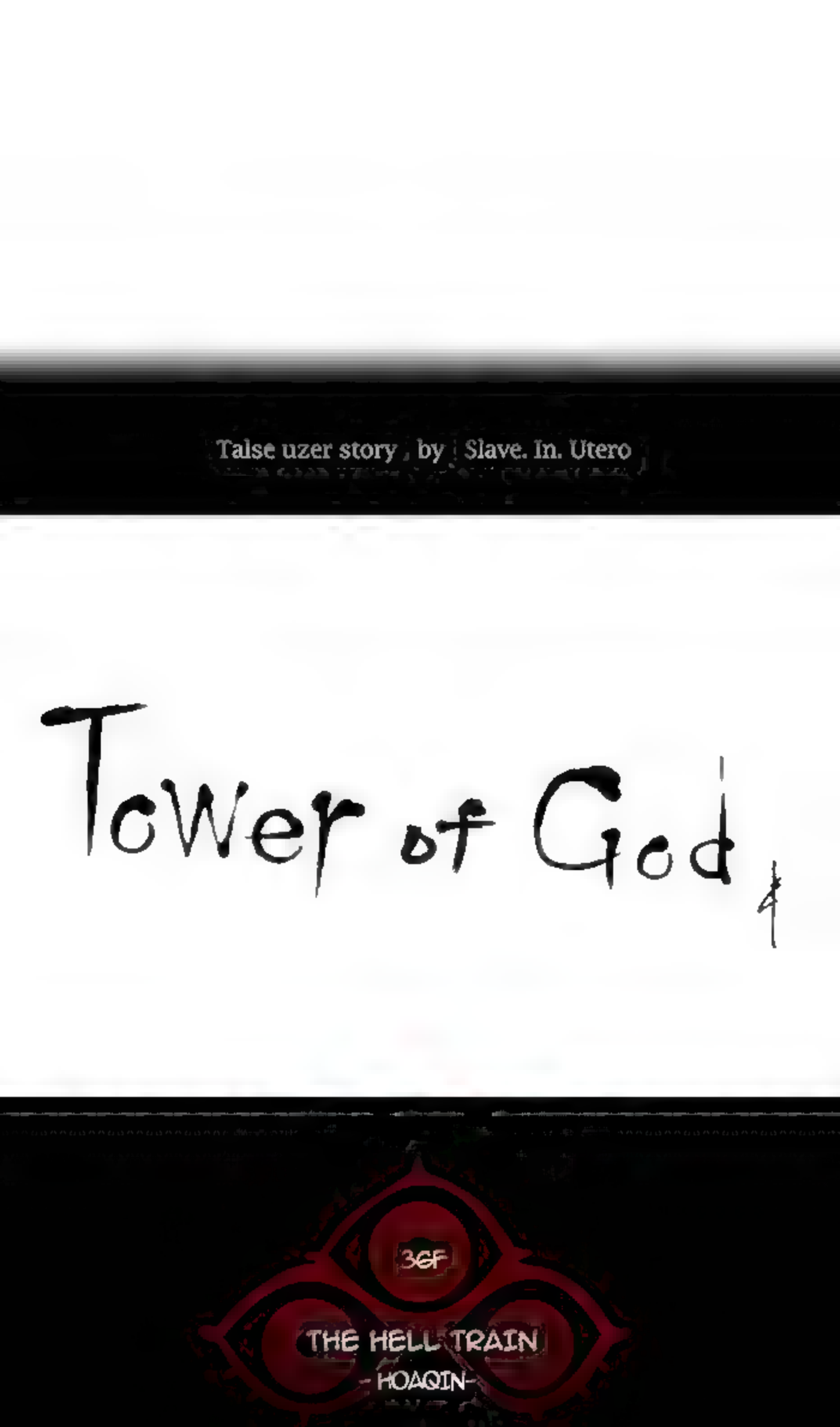
Tower of God



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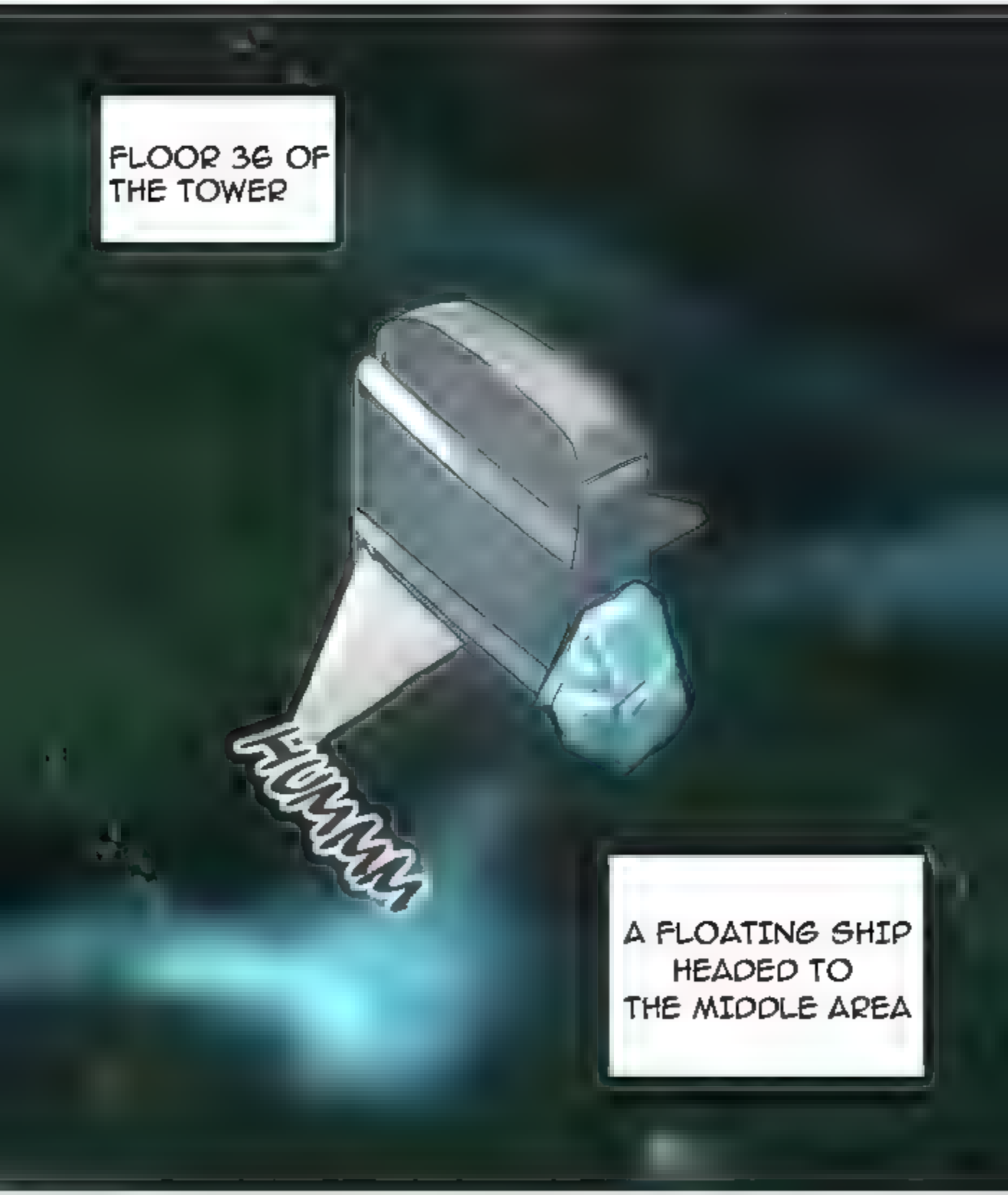
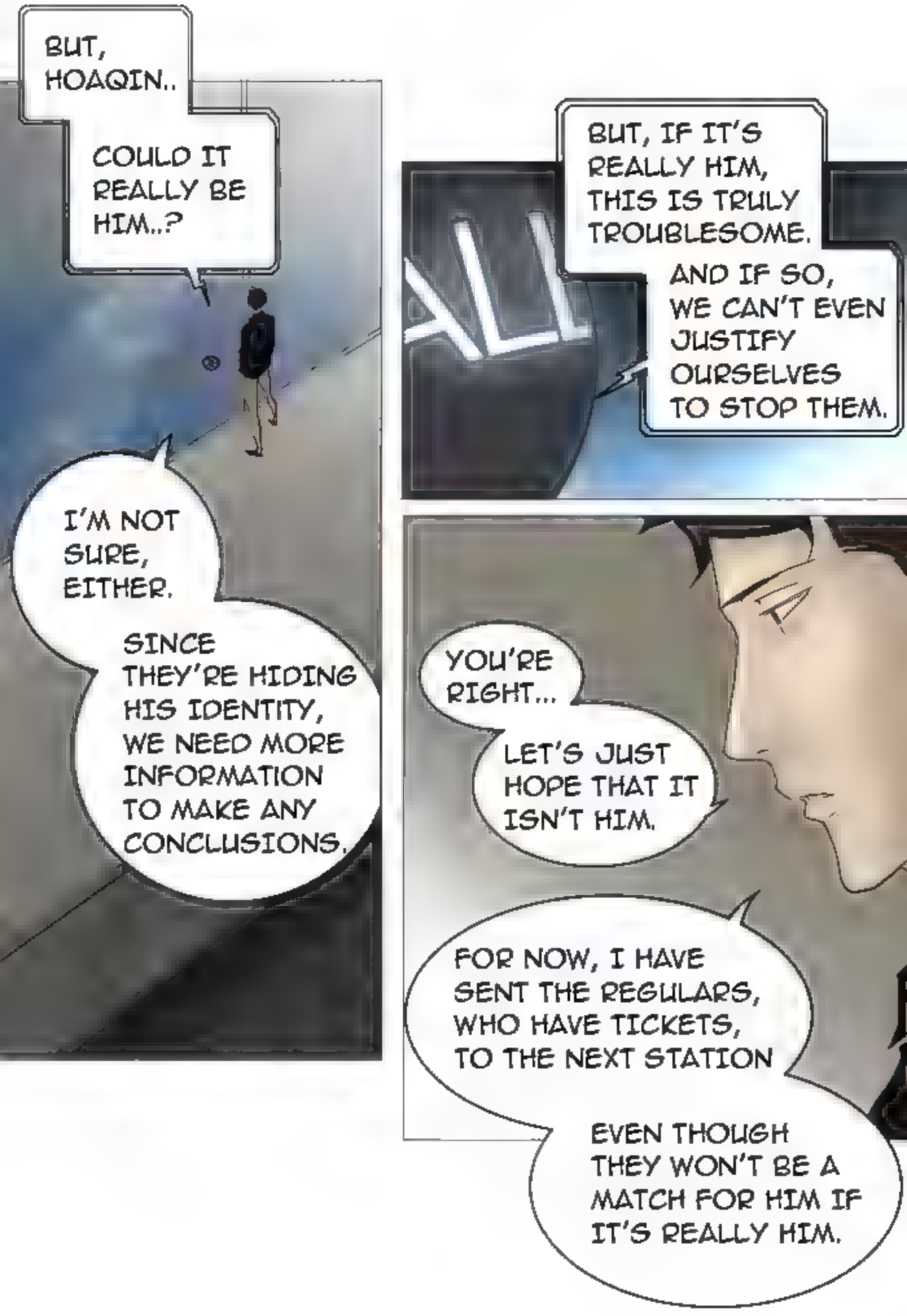
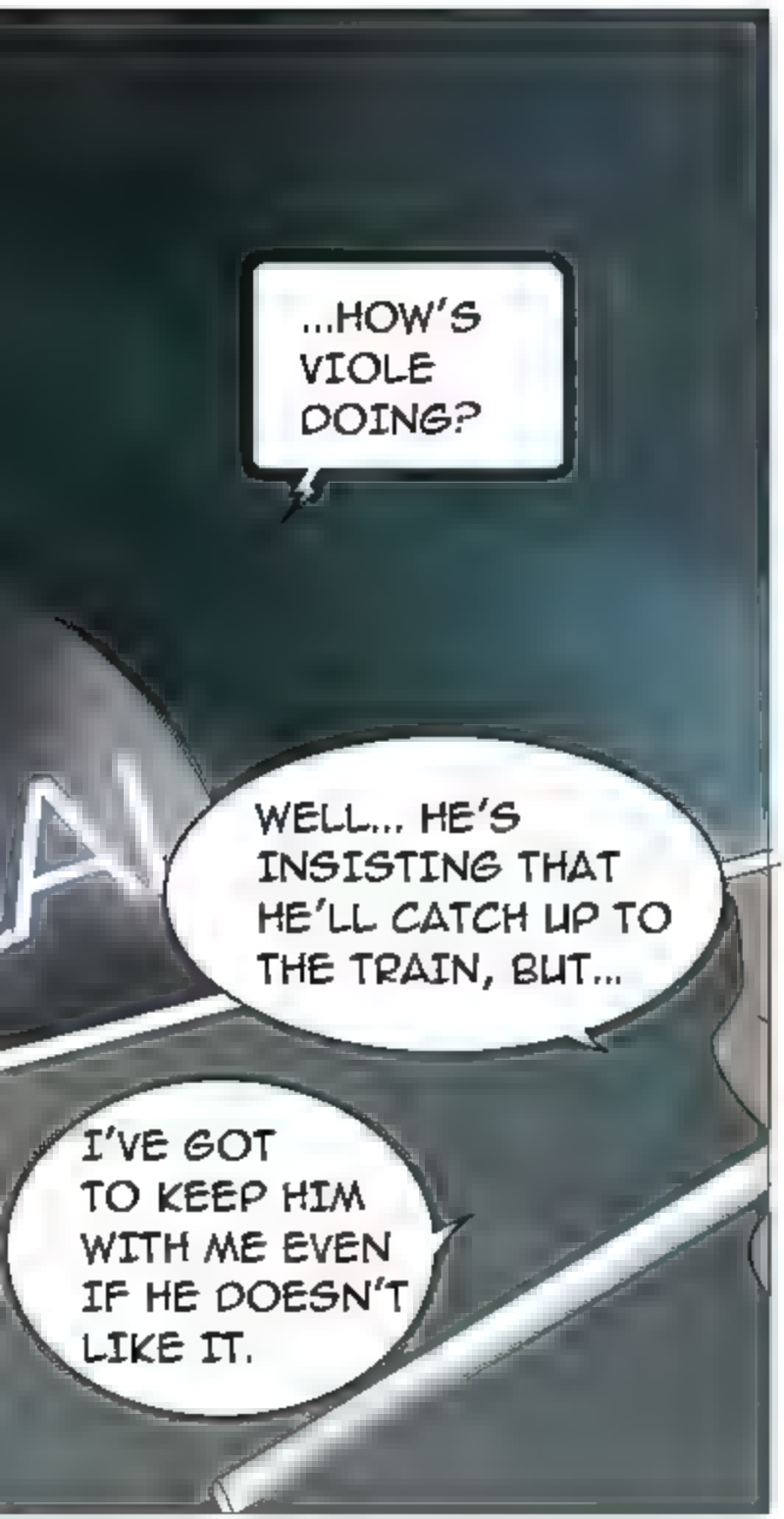

FLOOR 36 OF THE TOWER
KUWAAA
A FLOATING SHIP HEADED TO THE MIDDLE AREA

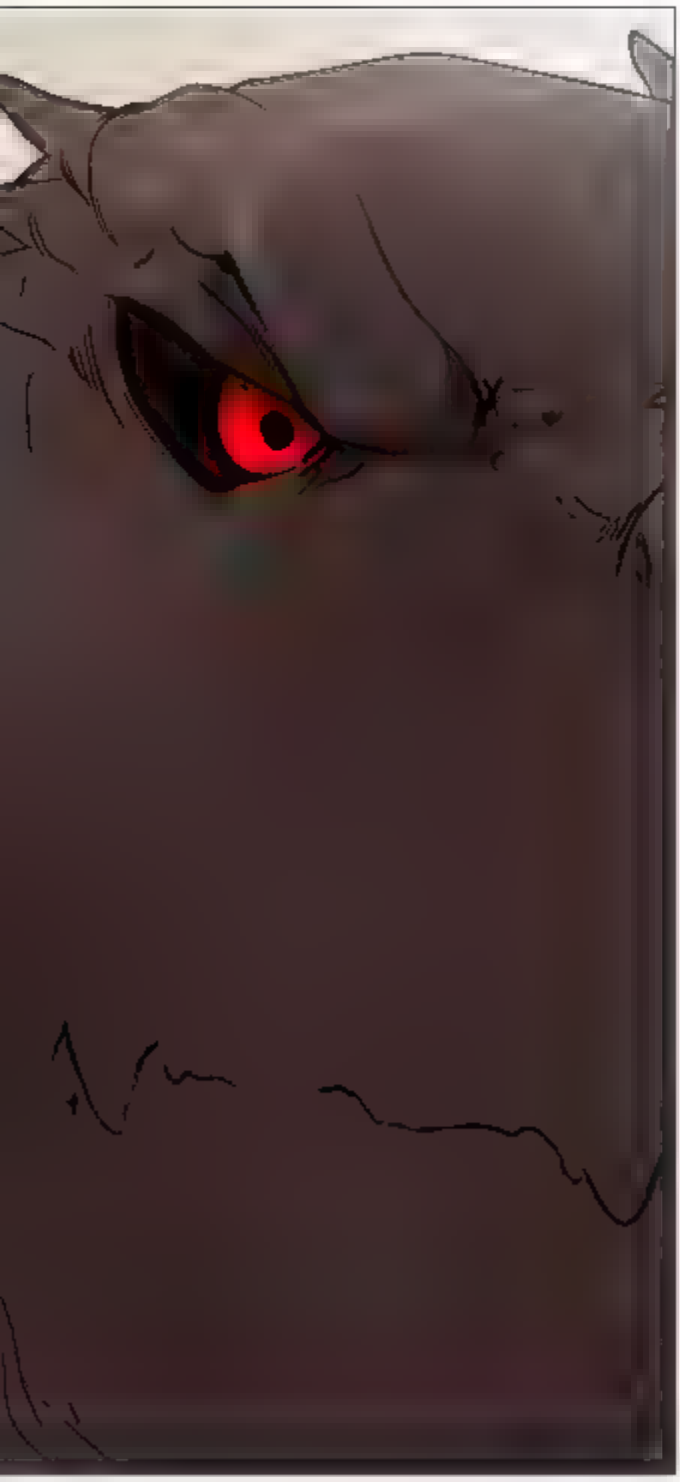
YES.
I'M HEADED TO THE MIDDLE AREA WITH VIOLE.
WE'LL BE THERE SOON.
WHIR-
WHIR-


BUT, HOAQIN..
COULD IT REALLY BE HIM..?
I'M NOT SURE, EITHER.
SINCE THEY'RE HIDING HIS IDENTITY, WE NEED MORE INFORMATION TO MAKE ANY CONCLUSIONS.
BUT, IF IT'S REALLY HIM, THIS IS TRULY TROUBLESOME.
AND IF SO, WE CAN'T EVEN JUSTIFY OURSELVES TO STOP THEM.
YOU'RE RIGHT...
LET'S JUST HOPE THAT IT ISN'T HIM.
FOR NOW, I HAVE SENT THE REGULARS, WHO HAVE TICKETS, TO THE NEXT STATION
EVEN THOUGH THEY WON'T BE A MATCH FOR HIM IF IT'S REALLY HIM.


...HOW'S VIOLE DOING?
WELL... HE'S INSISTING THAT HE'LL CATCH UP TO THE TRAIN, BUT...
I'VE GOT TO KEEP HIM WITH ME EVEN IF HE DOESN'T LIKE IT.

ALTHOUGH HE HAS THE POWER OF THE THORN, IT'S STILL DANGEROUS THIS TIME...
TO MAKE THINGS WORSE, THE POWER OF THE THORN STILL ISN'T STABLE.

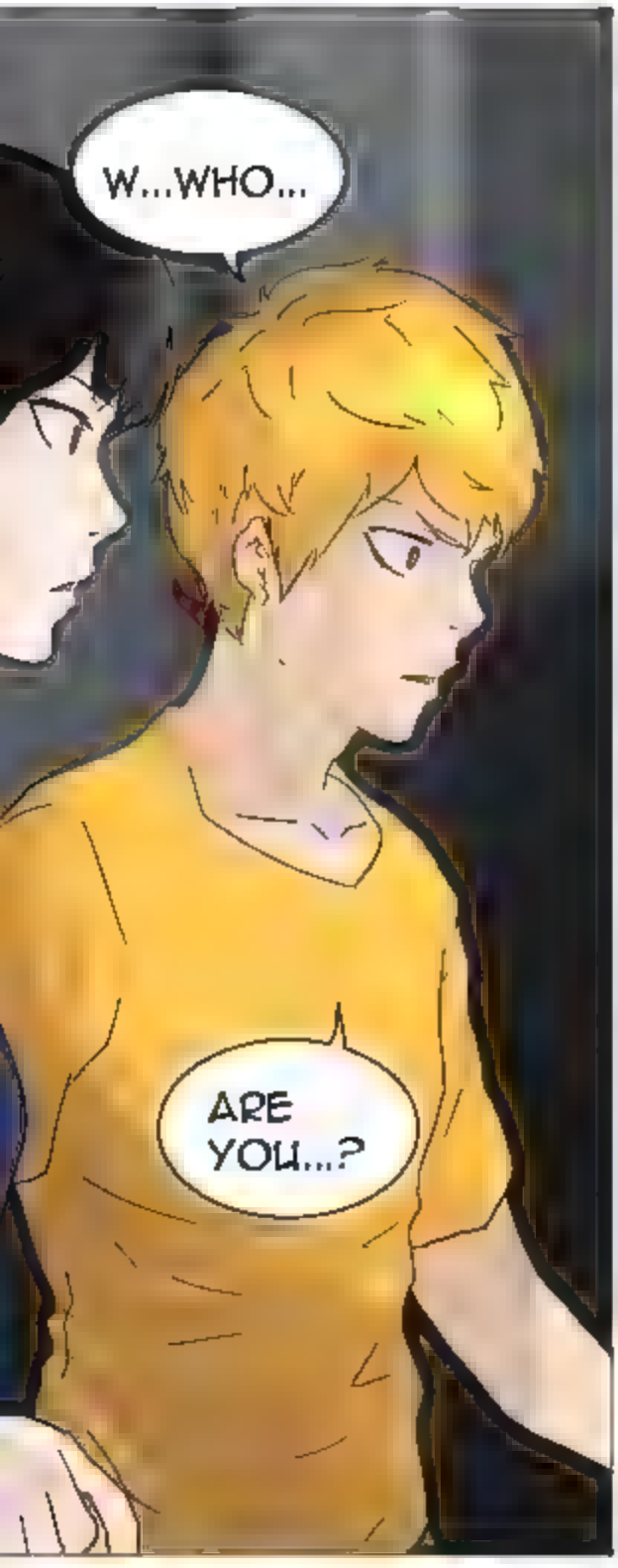
ABOUT THOSE GUYS..
I THINK IT'S FOR THE BEST TO MAKE THEM WAIT FOR THE STORM TO PASS.



DAMN...
IT'S SO PEACEFUL HERE...
CLANK
CLANK

CLAWS
.....!!
CLAWS

WANGNAN JAH..!
...I KNEW WE WERE BEING FOLLOWED, BUT...


W...WHO...
ARE YOU...?

SSH-
.....HMM...

WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE?
HAVE YOU COME TO GREET ME?
BUT, IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE YOU HAVE BUSINESS TO ATTEND TO HERE.
I'D RATHER PREFER SOMETHING LIKE AN ELEPHANT THAN A YELLOW MONKEY LIKE YOU.
OH, I LIKE THAT PRETTY LADY, THOUGH...

DAMN IT..!
IDIOTS..!

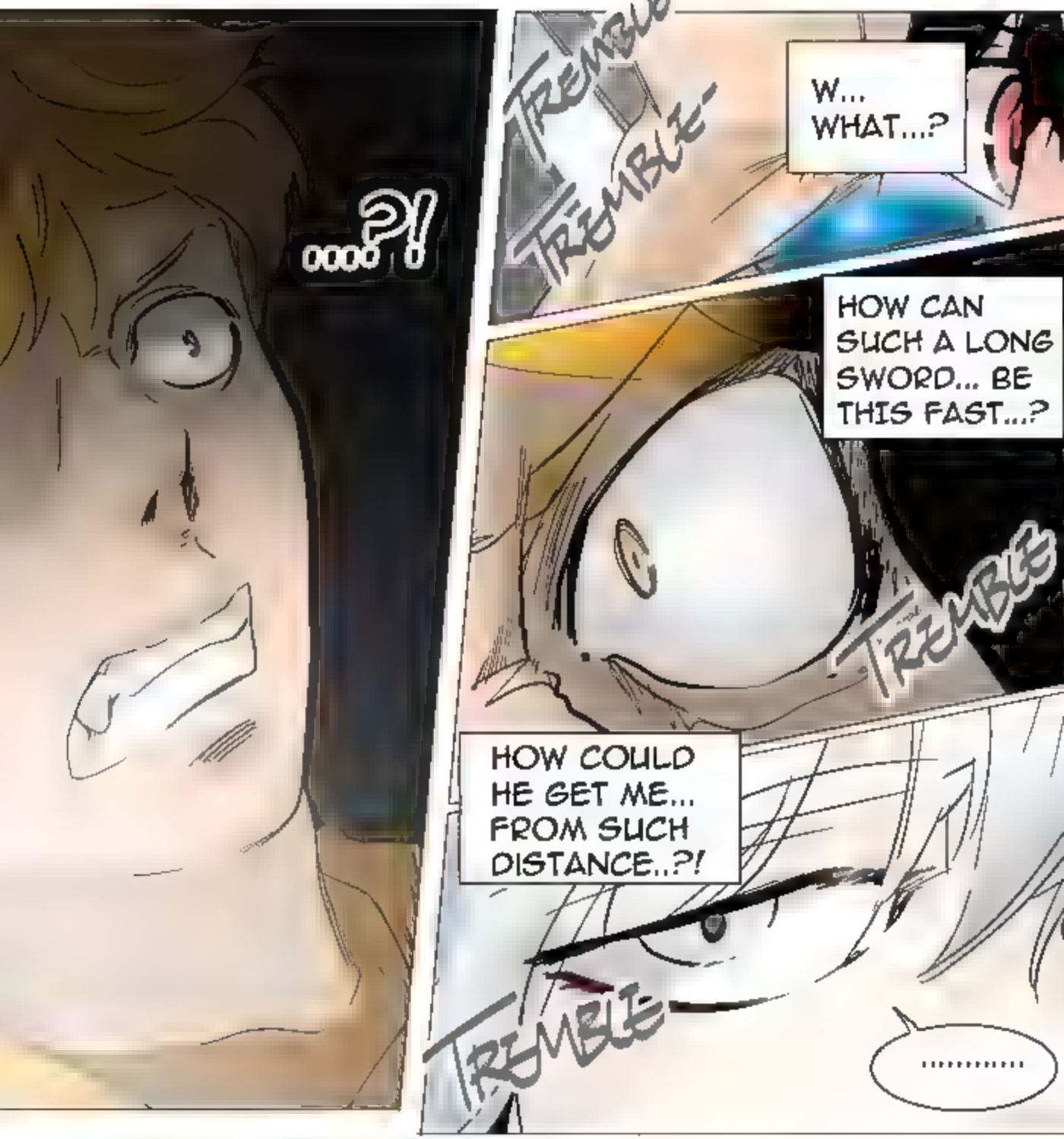
WANGNAN!!
SWOOSH
USE THE SINSU BOMB!!
?
!!

MAKE SURE YOU DON'T GET CAUGHT BY THAT GUY...!
GRAB
FLAME THROWER!! SUPPORT ME..!

SLASH

THOSE TWO ARE DANGEROUS!
HEY! HOAQIN..!
KATA KATA
KGH..!
ERAH!!
WOOSH

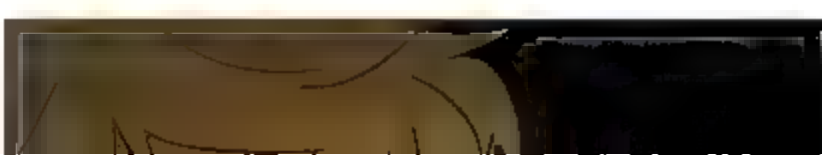
SLASH


...?!
TREMBLE-
TREMBLE-
W...
WHAT...?
HOW CAN SUCH A LONG SWORD... BE THIS FAST...?
TREMBLE
HOW COULD HE GET ME... FROM SUCH DISTANCE..?!
TREMBLE
.....

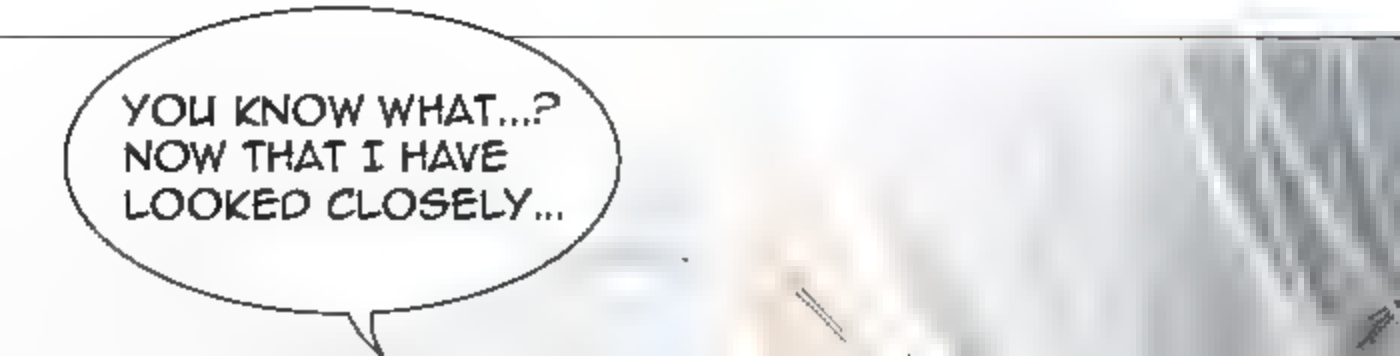
AAAA
WANG-NAN!!
AARGHH
STOP RIGHT THERE, GUIDE.
IF YOU MOVE,
THIS MAN'S HAND WILL GET CUT OFF, GOT IT?
I'M SURE YOU AREN'T A PERSON WHO'D MAKE SUCH STUPID MOVES, RIGHT?
.....!

WELL... I THINK HE WON'T BE ABLE TO USE THIS HAND ANY MORE, THOUGH.

....THANKS TO YOU, I HAD FUN SLICING SOME MEAT IN A LONG TIME.



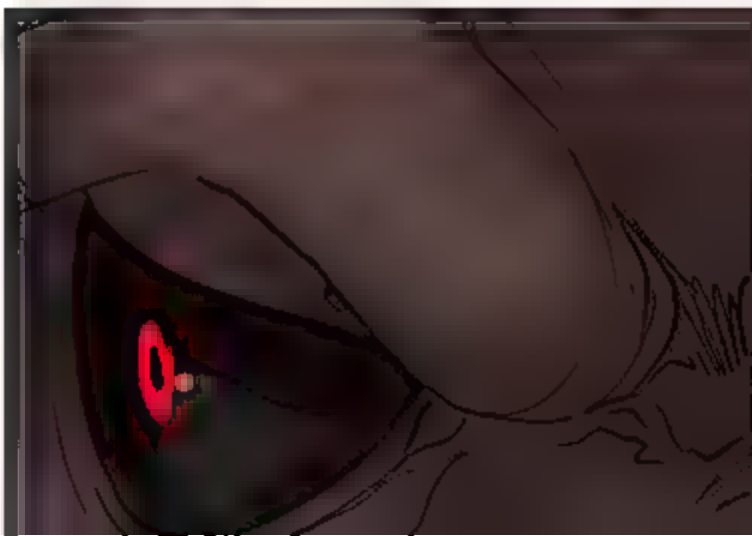
ANYWAY... WHO ARE YOU? ARE YOU AND THAT GUIDE ON SAME TEAM?
.....!!
KRRRGH
SPEAK.
I DESPISE THOSE WHO DON'T LISTEN TO MY ORDERS.
THIS GUY IS CRAZY...!

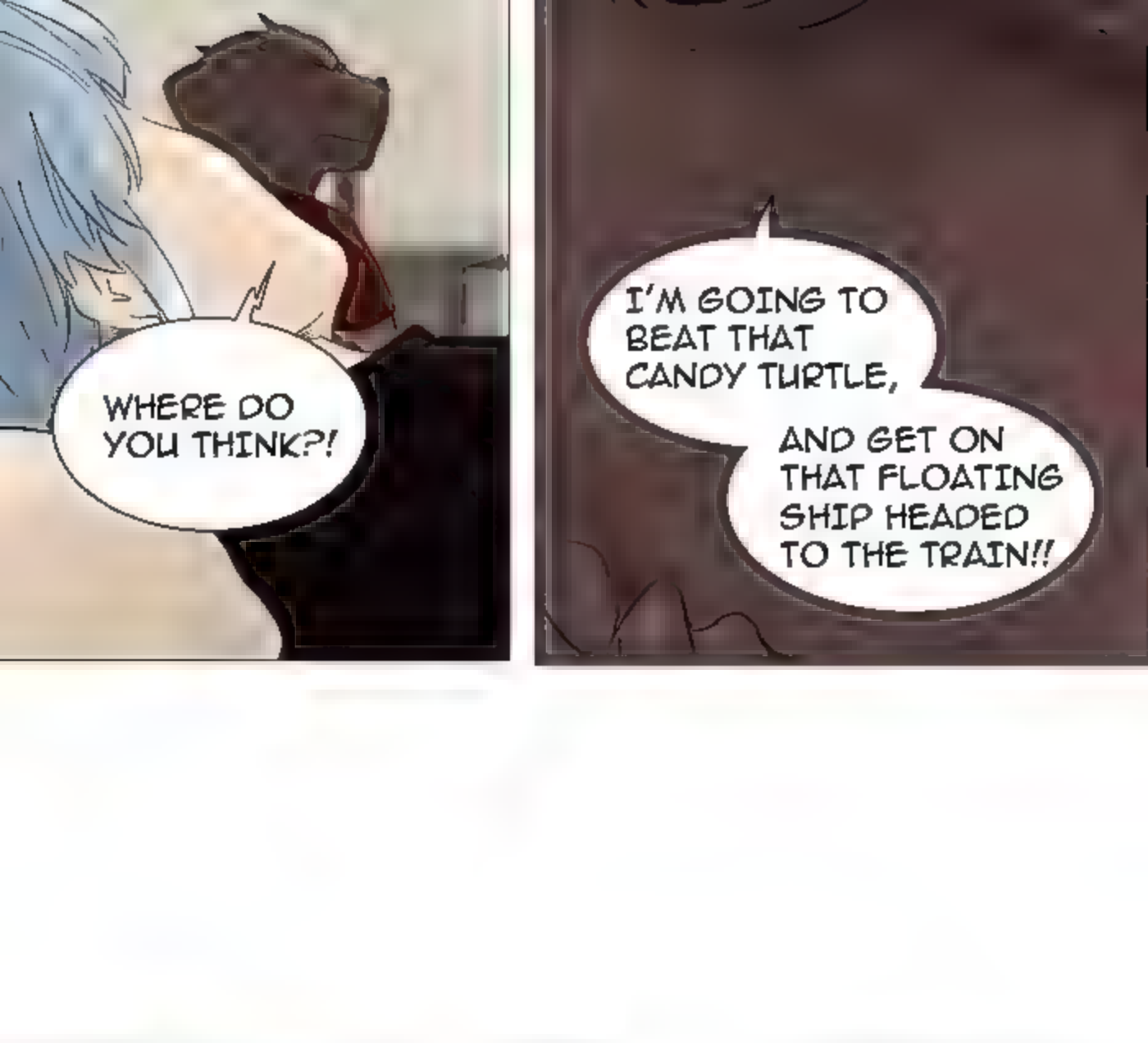

YOU KNOW WHAT...? NOW THAT I HAVE LOOKED CLOSELY...

YOU LOOK QUITE TASTY...
GRRRR!

TAP
SH*T..!

...WHERE ARE YOU GOING, CROCODILE?

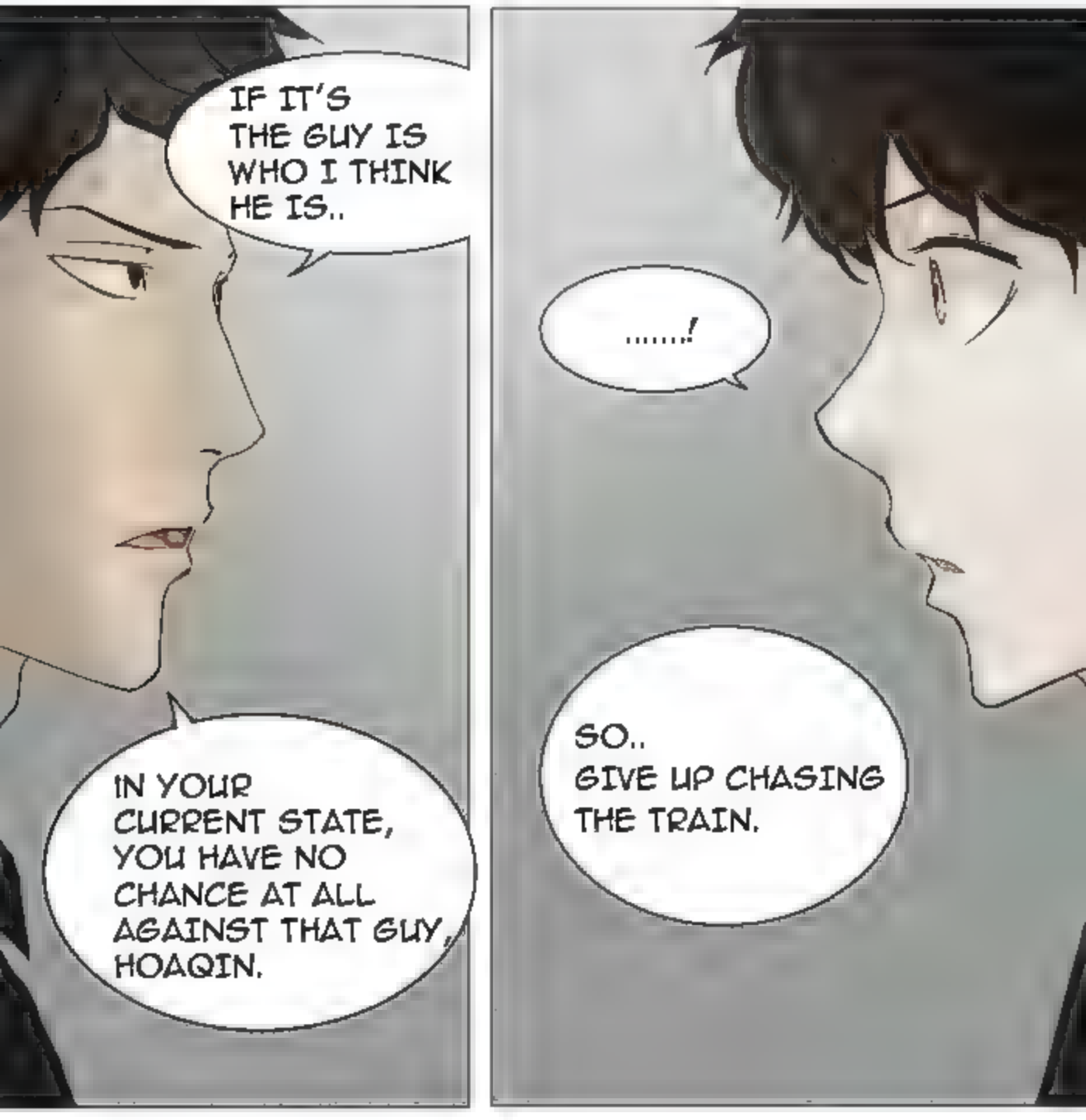



WHERE DO YOU THINK?!
I'M GOING TO BEAT THAT CANDY TURTLE,
AND GET ON THAT FLOATING SHIP HEADED TO THE TRAIN!!

....DON'T BE STUPID.
DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHO THAT MAN IS?
I DON'T! AND I DON'T GIVE A S#IT ABOUT THAT TURTLE...!
JINSUNG HA. HE'S A HIGH RANKER FROM ANCIENT TIMES WHO'S FAMOUS FOR KILLING THE MEMBERS OF THE TEN GREAT FAMILIES.

THERE'S NO CHANCE OF DEFEATING HIM NO MATTER HOW MANY OF US ATTACK HIM.
I CAME TO LEARN ABOUT HIM AS I WAS LOOKING INTO FUG THOROUGHLY, AND BELIEVE ME,
HE'S NOT JUST ANY CRAZY GUY.
HE EVEN WIPED OUT A WHOLE FAMILY BECAUSE HE HELD A GRUDGE ON THEM.
IF WE TRY TO GO AGAINST HIM, HE COULD BE OUR WORST ENEMY.
THANKS TO HIM, WE ARE FREE, BUT...

INVERSELY SPEAKING, WE WON'T HAVE THIS FREEDOM IF WE DON'T LISTEN TO HIM.
SO, HIM SAYING SOMETHING LIKE THAT... IT MEANS THAT WE SHOULDN'T GO. PERIOD.
...PARDON?
DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND? SHOULD I REPEAT MYSELF?


IF IT'S THE GUY IS WHO I THINK HE IS..
IN YOUR CURRENT STATE, YOU HAVE NO CHANCE AT ALL AGAINST THAT GUY, HOAQIN.
.....!
SO.. GIVE UP CHASING THE TRAIN.

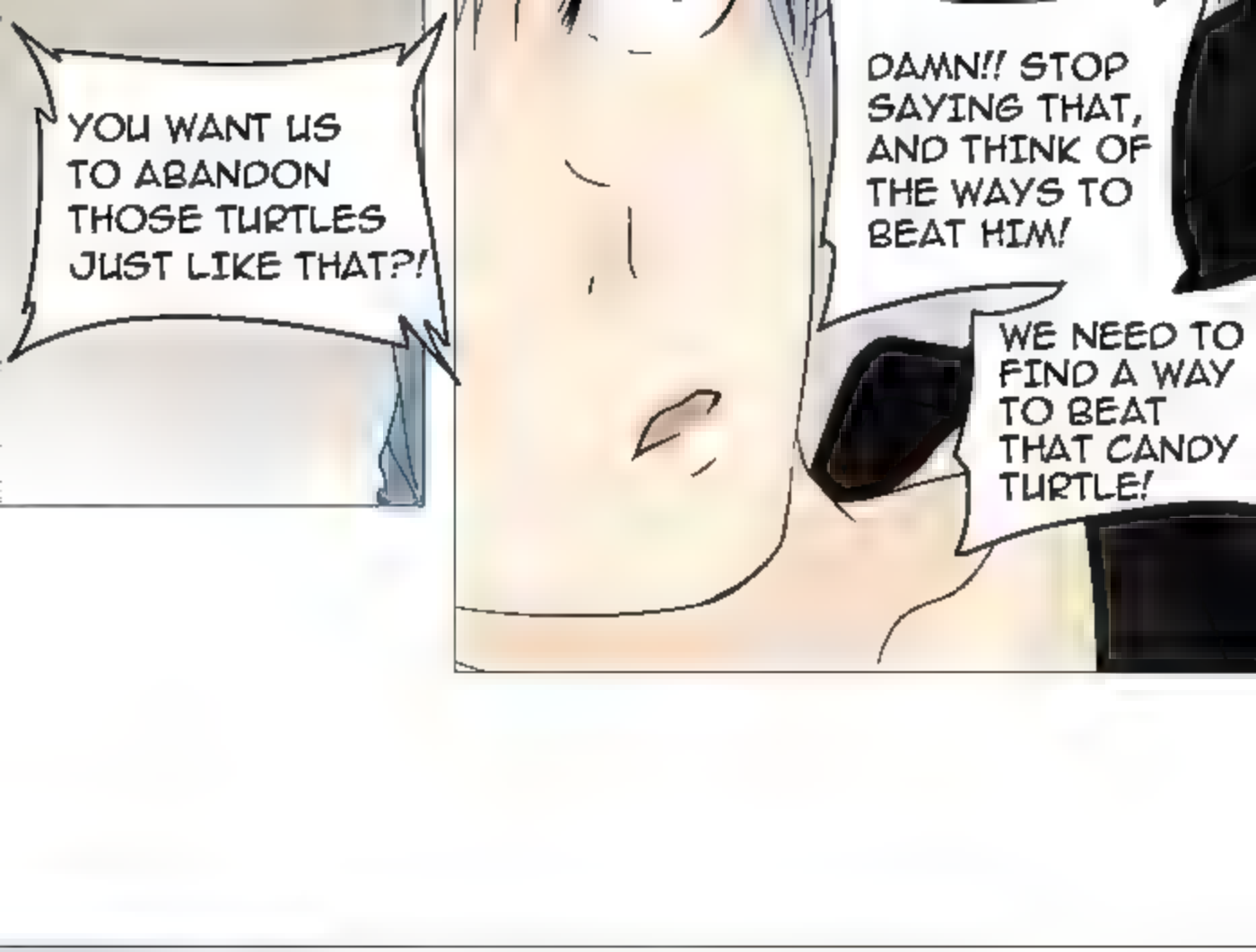
EVEN WITH ME SAYING THIS, IF YOU INSIST ON GOING AFTER THE HELL TRAIN...

I WILL LET YOU GO IF YOU BEAT ME.
BUT NEVER BEFORE THAT.
.....!

.....SO, WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY?
ARE YOU SAYING THAT WE SHOULD GIVE UP CHASING THE TRAIN?

BUT, THERE ARE RED, AND YELLOW TURTLES ON THE TRAIN!

....WELL, WE CAN'T FIGHT HIM ANYWAY.


YOU WANT US TO ABANDON THOSE TURTLES JUST LIKE THAT?!
DAMN!! STOP SAYING THAT, AND THINK OF THE WAYS TO BEAT HIM!
WE NEED TO FIND A WAY TO BEAT THAT CANDY TURTLE!

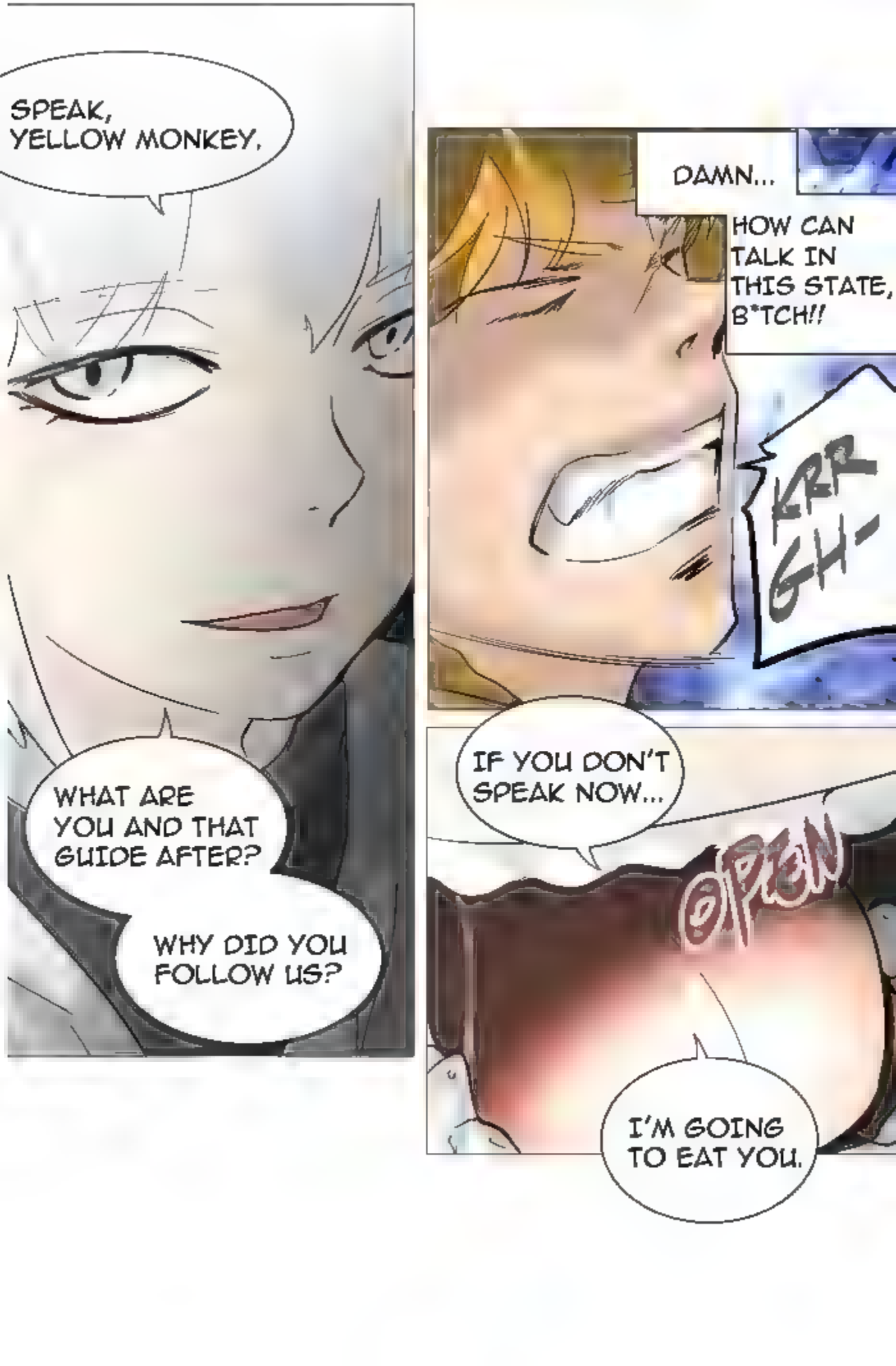
...ARE YOU EVEN LISTENING TO ME? THERE IS NO WAY TO BEAT HIM.
YOU NEED A HEARING AID OR SOMETHING?
GOSH!! THEN, WHAT DO YOU WANT US TO DO?!!
YOU WANT US TO RUN AWAY!?

HUH? YOU DON'T CARE IF THOSE TURTLES DIE?
OF COURSE NOT.
WHAT?

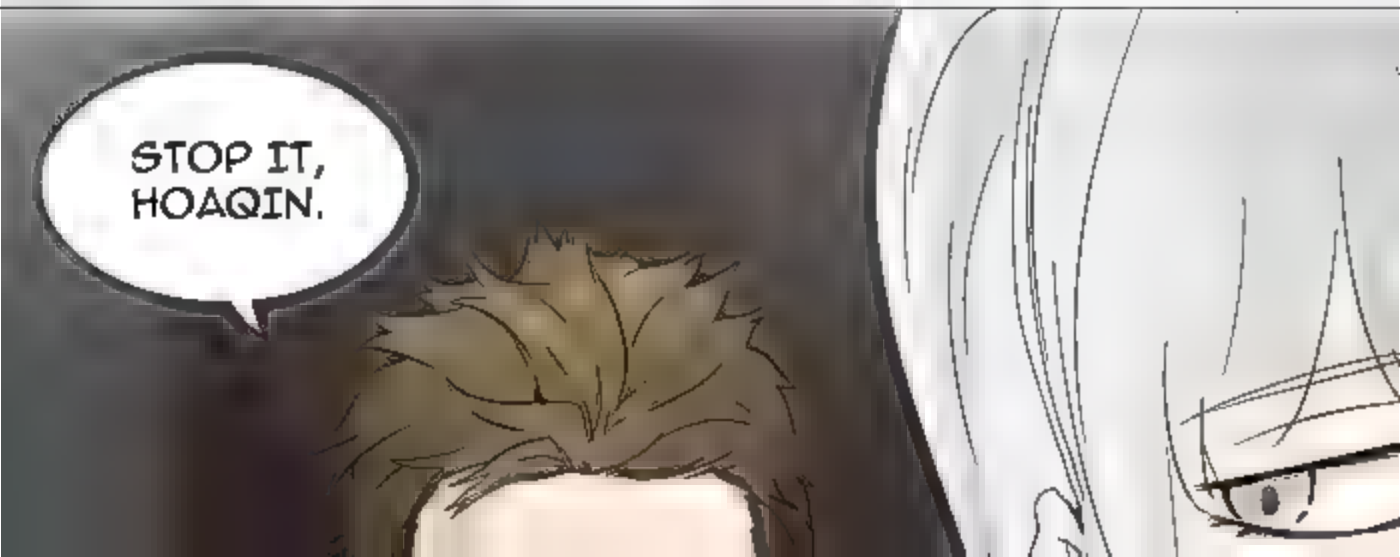
....THERE IS NOT EVEN A SLIGHT CHANCE THAT WE CAN BEAT JINSUNG NOW, BUT

IT'S NOT LIKE WE CAN GET OUT OF HERE ONLY BY BEATING HIM, RIGHT?
THE TIME HAS COME.. SO, LET'S GET MOVING.
....!
TO THE PLACE WE MUST GO TO.

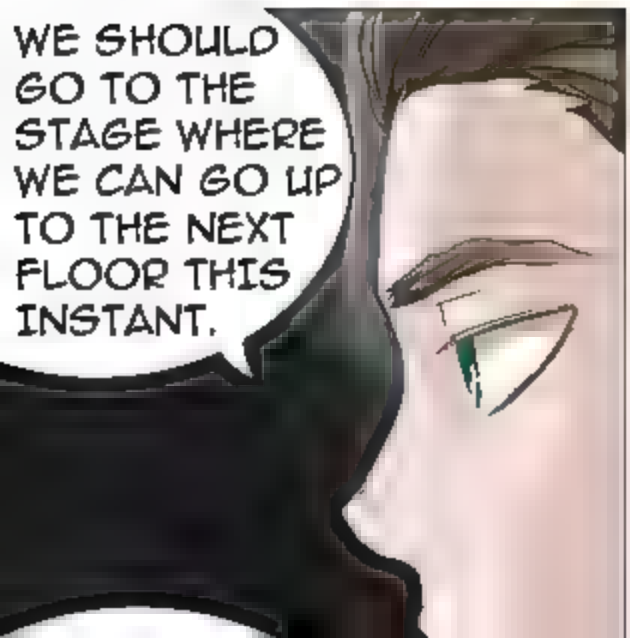
AA...
AARGH..!


SPEAK, YELLOW MONKEY.
WHAT ARE YOU AND THAT GUIDE AFTER?
WHY DID YOU FOLLOW US?
DAMN...
HOW CAN TALK IN THIS STATE, B*TCH!!
KRR GH-
IF YOU DON'T SPEAK NOW...
OPEN
I'M GOING TO EAT YOU.

SPEAK~ OR BE MY BREAKFAST.
AAARGH
OR.. SHOULD I SAY "BRUNCH"?
AAAH
NO, IS IT LATE LUNCH?
AAARGH
THAT BASTARD..
HE'S ENJOYING THIS.


STOP IT, HOAQIN.

SKEEP
WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO PLAY AROUND WITH THESE GUYS.
....!
HUH..?


WE SHOULD GO TO THE STAGE WHERE WE CAN GO UP TO THE NEXT FLOOR THIS INSTANT.

LET THEM GO FOR NOW.
THEY'RE COMRADES OF THE SLAYER NOMINEE, JUE VIOLE GRACE.

WE'LL BE KICKED OUT OF THE TRAIN IF WE DON'T PASS THE STAGE BEFORE TONIGHT.
NOW THAT YOU'RE FREE, YOU ALSO CAN'T GO TO THE NEXT FLOOR IF YOU DON'T PASS THE STAGE AS WELL.
.....?
THEY WILL BE USEFUL LATER.
PFFT.

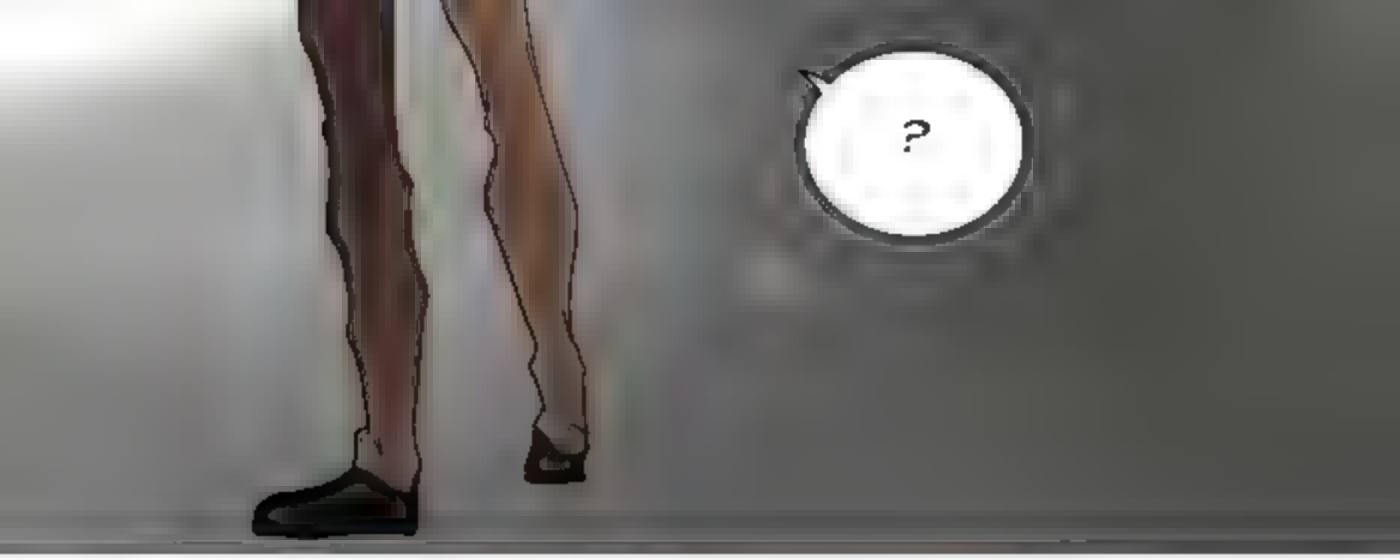
AAAA

WHAT DO YOU MEAN...
SLAYER NOMINEE?
ARGH-

RUMBLE
THE DOOR IS OPENING...

TAP-
TAP-
TAP-

TEACHER.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WHAT IS IT... VIOLE?
I TOLD YOU TO GET SOME REST IN YOUR ROOM...
I'M VERY SORRY, BUT
I'VE GOT TO GO...
SSH

LINE Webtoon

...WHAT?
STUMP

I'M SORRY, BUT...
I MUST GO TO THE HELL TRAIN.
THERE ARE... PEOPLE WHOM I MUST MEET THERE.

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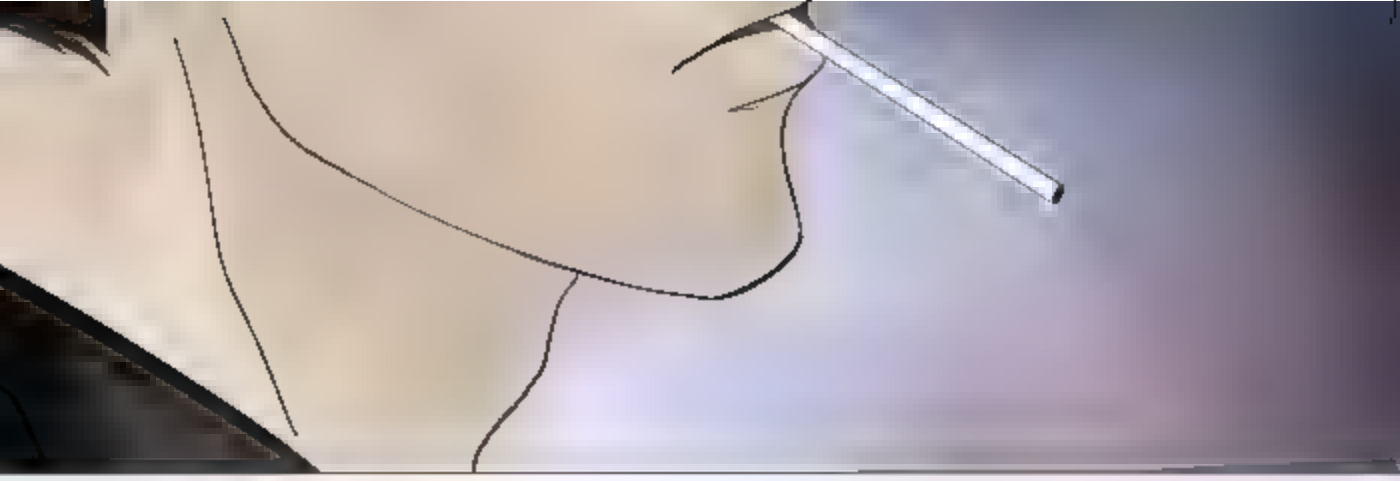
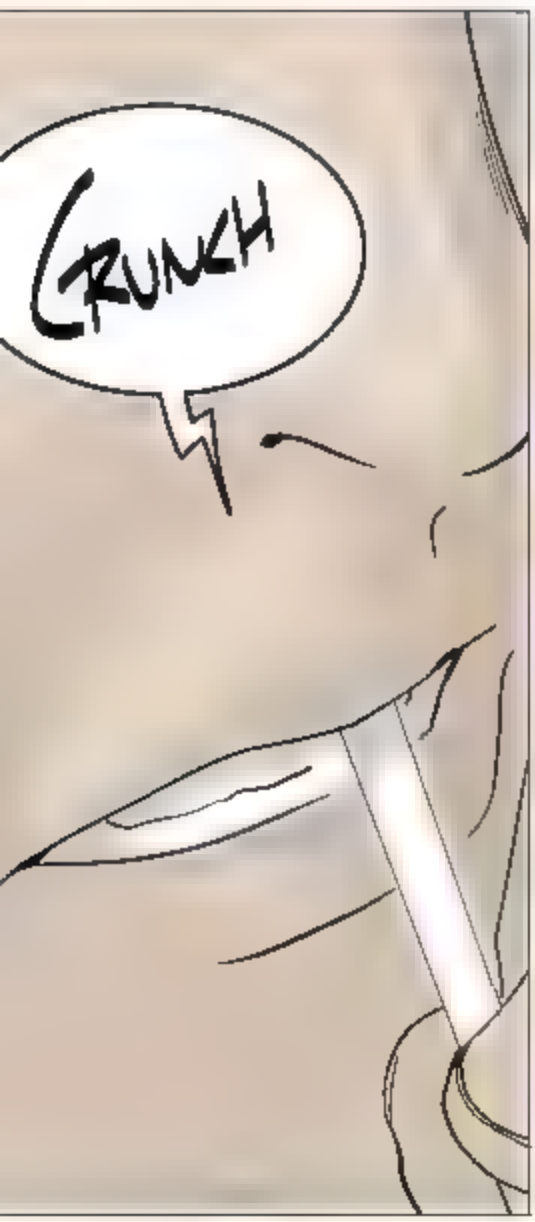
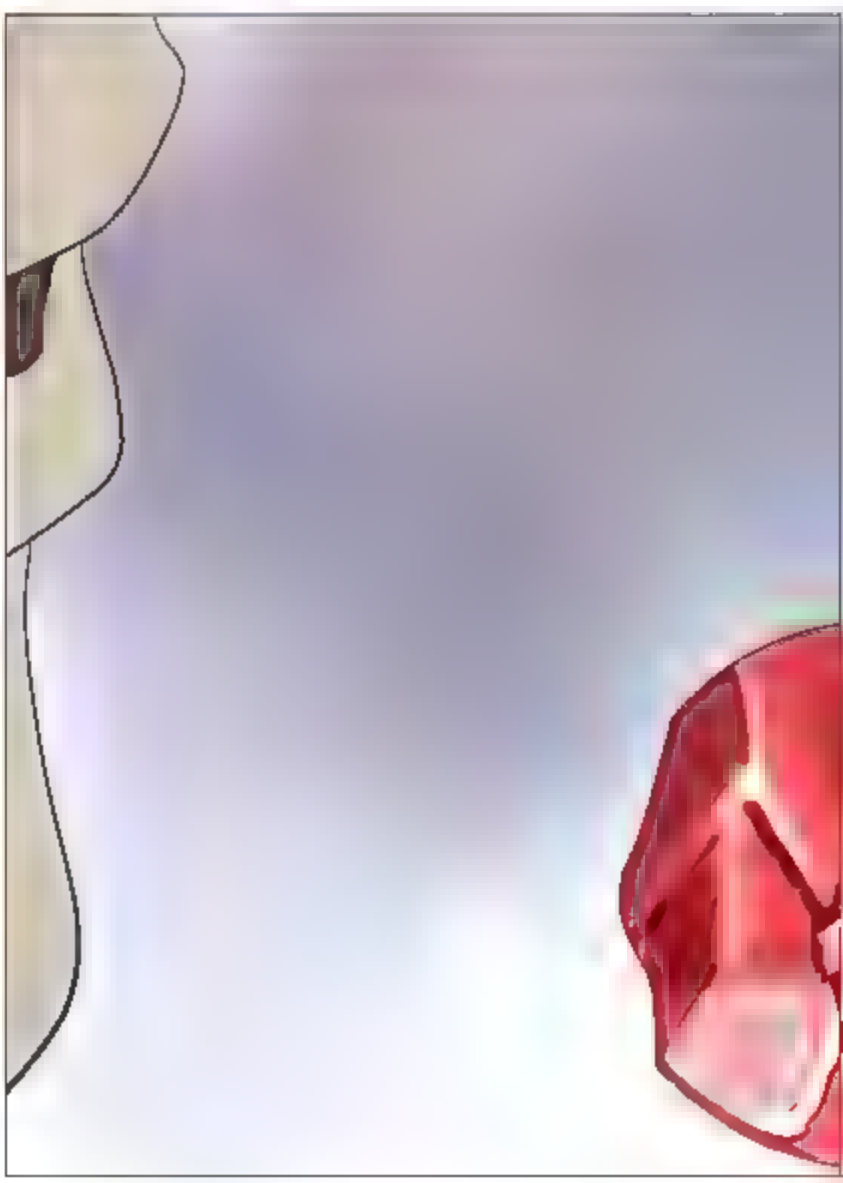



CRUNCH



YOU MEAN...
YOU'RE INSISTING THAT YOU GO ON THE TRAIN... EVEN IF YOU 'LL HAVE TO FIGHT ME?

PLEASE TELL ME THAT YOU ARE JOKING.
VIOLE.
STUMP
STUMP
.....!!

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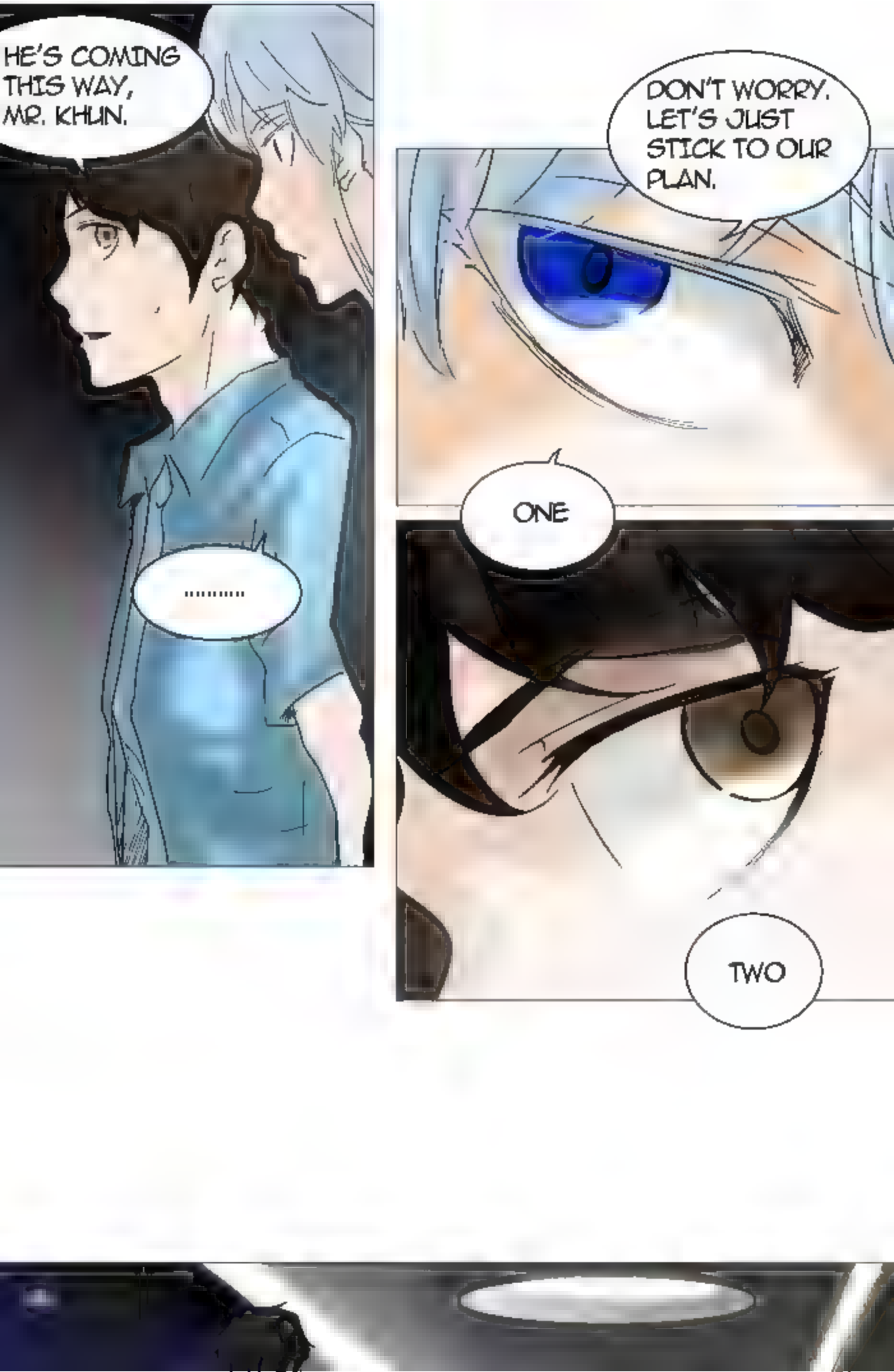
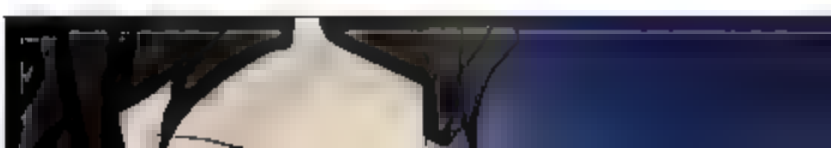
STUMP
STUMP


HE'S COMING THIS WAY, MR. KHUN.
.....
DON'T WORRY. LET'S JUST STICK TO OUR PLAN.
ONE
TWO

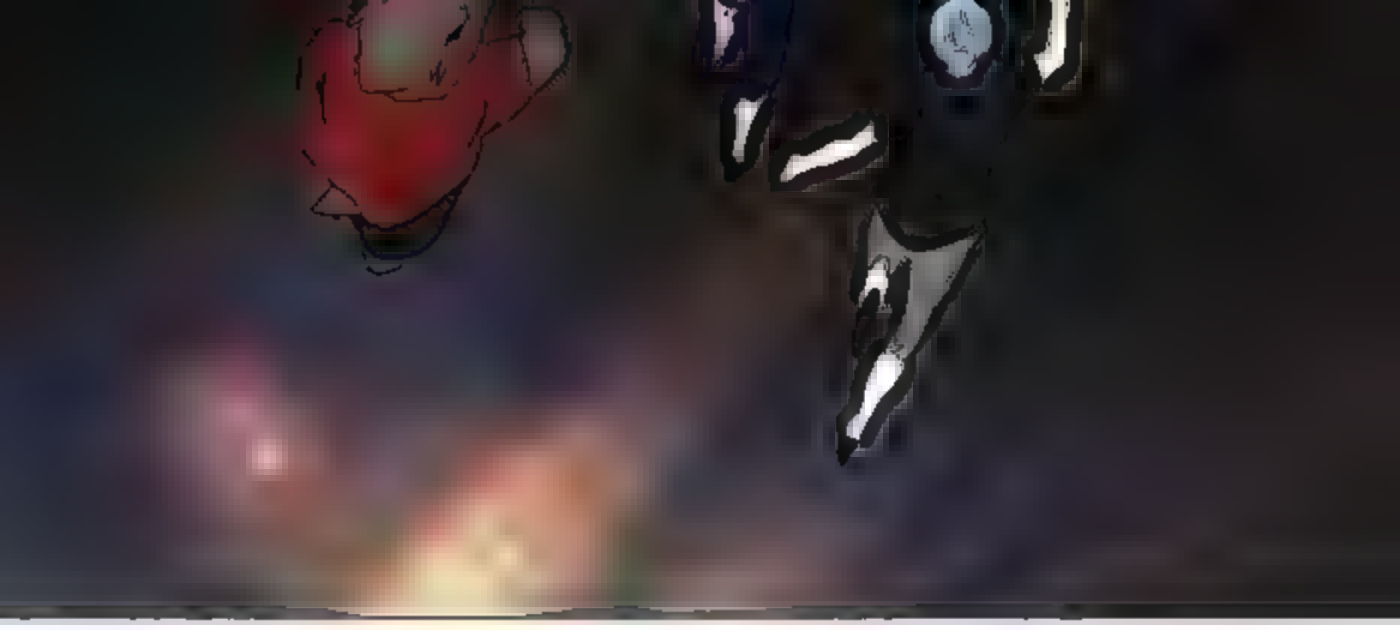
THREE..!
KATA
KATA
RUN-!!
!

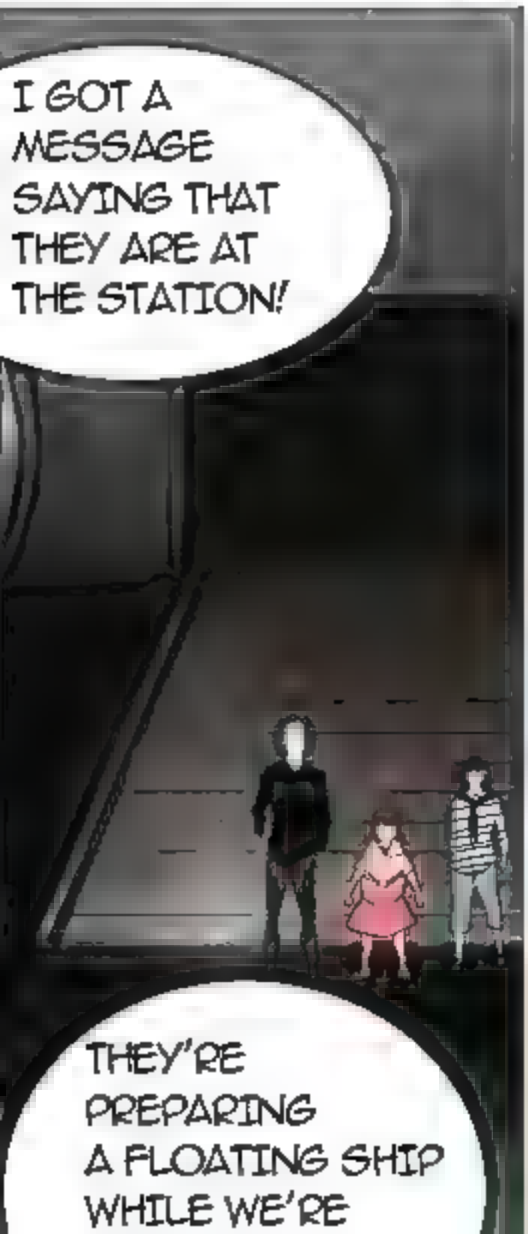
RUN AS FAR AS YOU CAN!

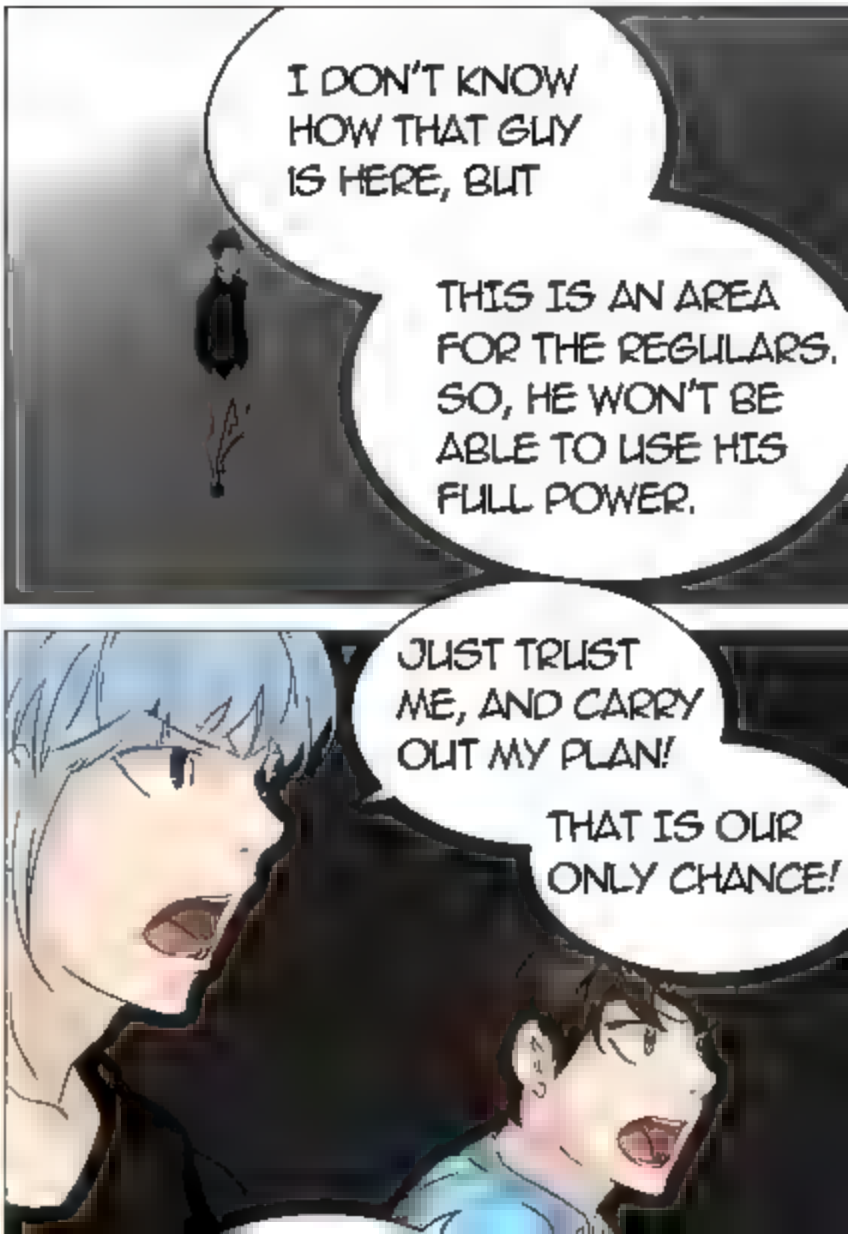


KRAK
KRAK
WE'RE DEAD MEAT IF CAUGHT!
.....
WHAT THE HELL ARE THEY UP TO...?

DO THEY REALLY THINK THEY CAN GO TO THE TRAIN BY DOING THAT?
MR. KHUN!
WHAT ABOUT ARKRAPTOR AND THE OTHERS...?




I GOT A MESSAGE SAYING THAT THEY ARE AT THE STATION!
THEY'RE PREPARING A FLOATING SHIP WHILE WE'RE


I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT GUY IS HERE, BUT
THIS IS AN AREA FOR THE REGULARS. SO, HE WON'T BE ABLE TO USE HIS FULL POWER.
JUST TRUST ME, AND CARRY OUT MY PLAN!
THAT IS OUR ONLY CHANCE!

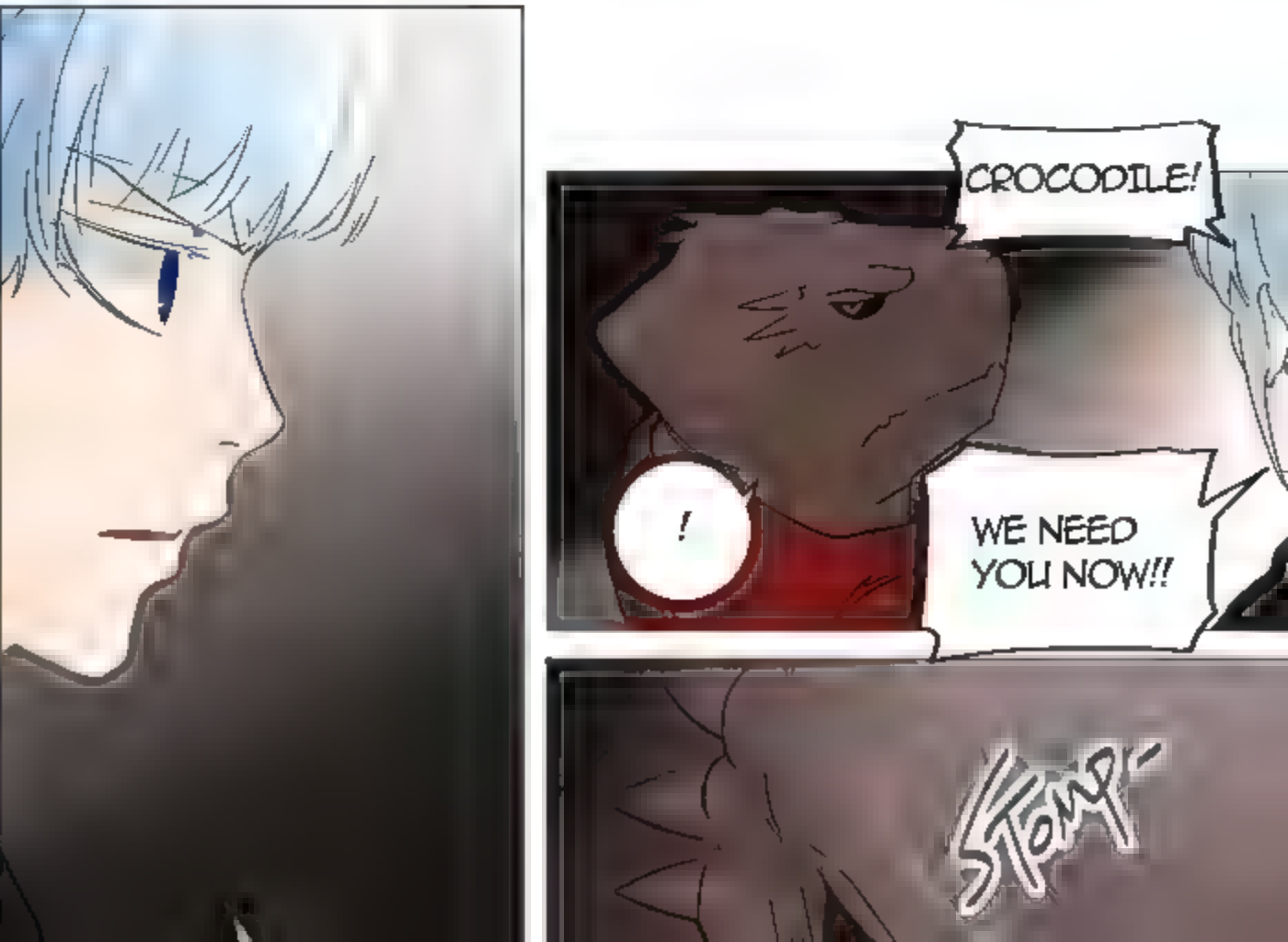
KEEPING HIM HERE!

GOT IT!

*NON-REGULARS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE INVOLVED IN AREAS FOR REGULARS BY LAW.

DID YOU THINK YOU COULD EASILY RUN AWAY FROM ME
BECAUSE I CAN'T USE MY POWER FREELY IN AREAS FOR REGULARS?
HE'S FAST... AS EXPECTED..
SORRY TO TELL YOU THIS, BUT I CAN CATCH YOU GUYS BY USING ONLY ONE LEG.

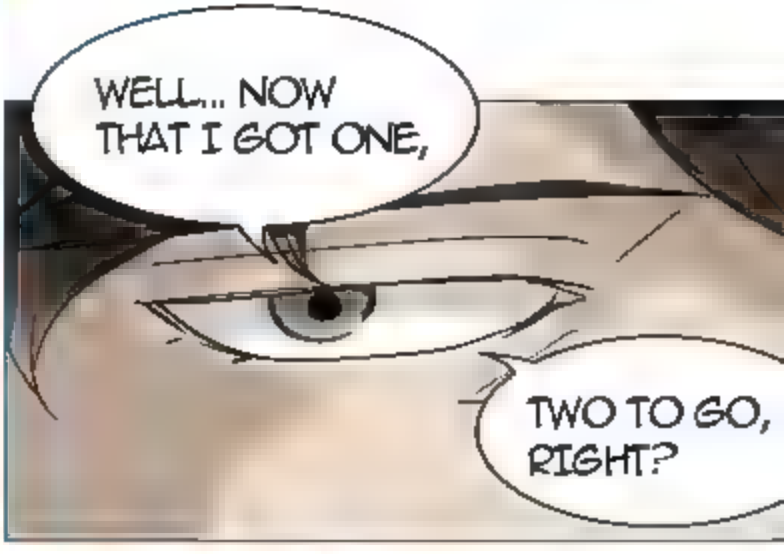
DON'T BE STUPID, AND GIVE UP.
BLUE HAIR... BEING FROM ONE OF THE TEN FAMILIES, YOU SHOULD KNOW
THAT THERE IS A SUBSTANTIAL GAP IN POWER BETWEEN YOU GUYS AND I.

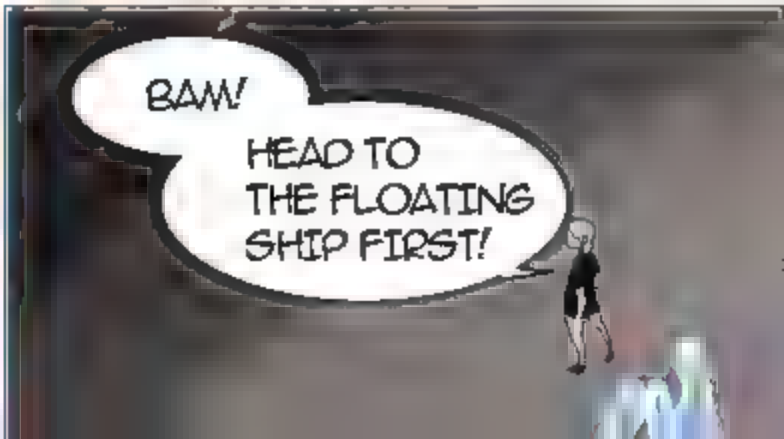

CROCODILE!
!
WE NEED YOU NOW!!
STOMP-

.....TSK!
HMPH.
I KNEW IT.
STOMP
YOU GUYS ARE JUST KIDS WHO CAN'T DO ANYTHING WITHOUT ME, THE LEADER.
ALRIGHT. I GOT HIM!
CLENCH
GOSH.
YOU'RE ONE STRONG LITTLE CROCODILE.
I SHOULD COOK SOME STAMINA FOOD WITH YOU!...

LET GO!! YOU CANDY TURTLE!!
COUGH!! COUGH!!

LET GO OF ME ON THE COUNT OF THREE!!
WELL.. HE'S NO GOOD FOR EVEN STALLING FOR A FEW MINUTES.


WELL... NOW THAT I GOT ONE,
TWO TO GO, RIGHT?


BAM!
HEAD TO THE FLOATING SHIP FIRST!

ONE, TWO...
COUGH!!
OKAY!
SO, YOU WANT TO SEND AWAY AT LEAST VIOLE, HUH?
KA
OOF!!
BANG

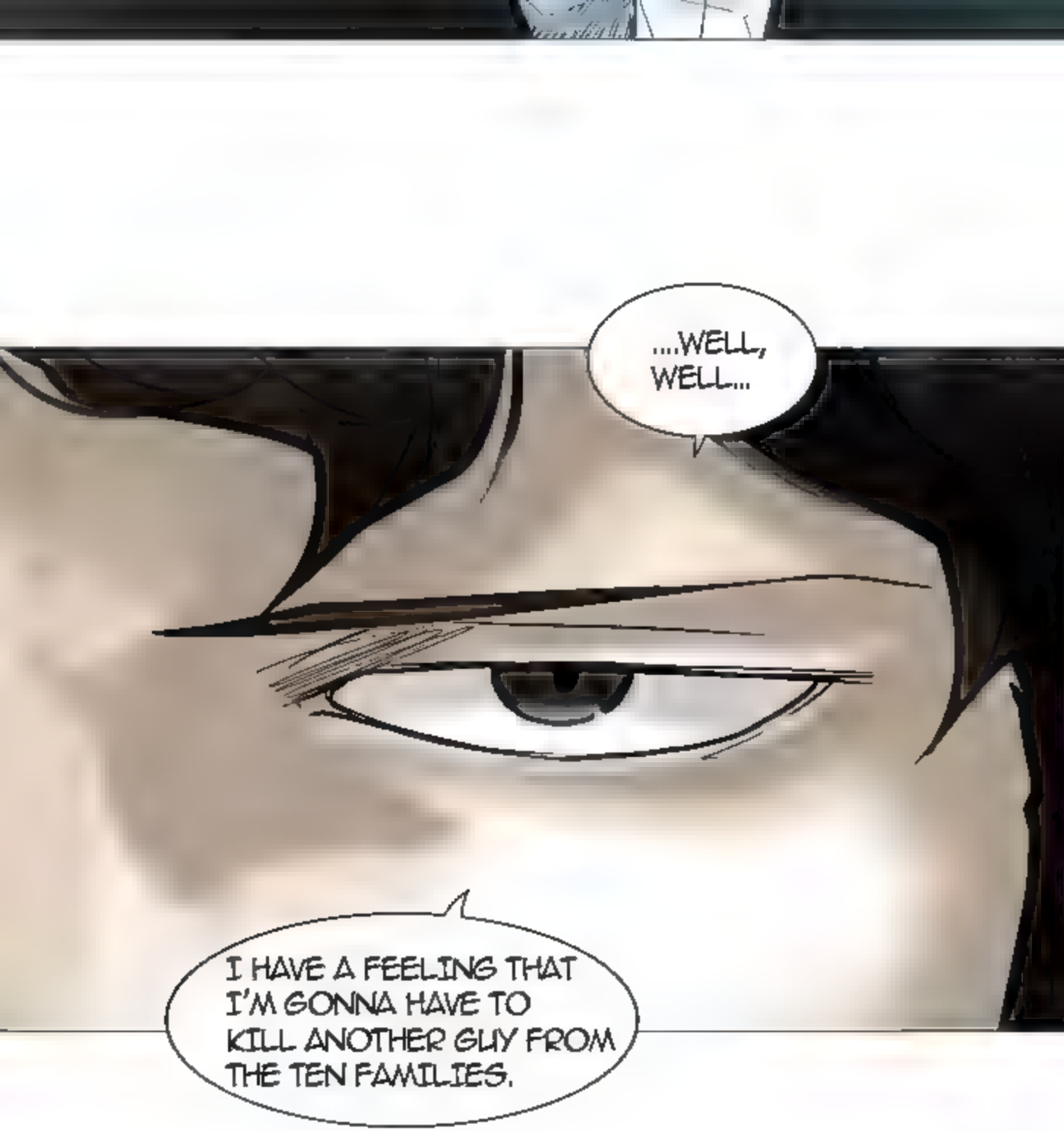
....YOU SHOULD THINK FIRST WHO YOU'RE DEALING WITH, WHEN YOU MESS AROUND.
I GUESS YOUR FATHER
DIDN'T EDUCATE YOU PROPERLY, KIDDO.

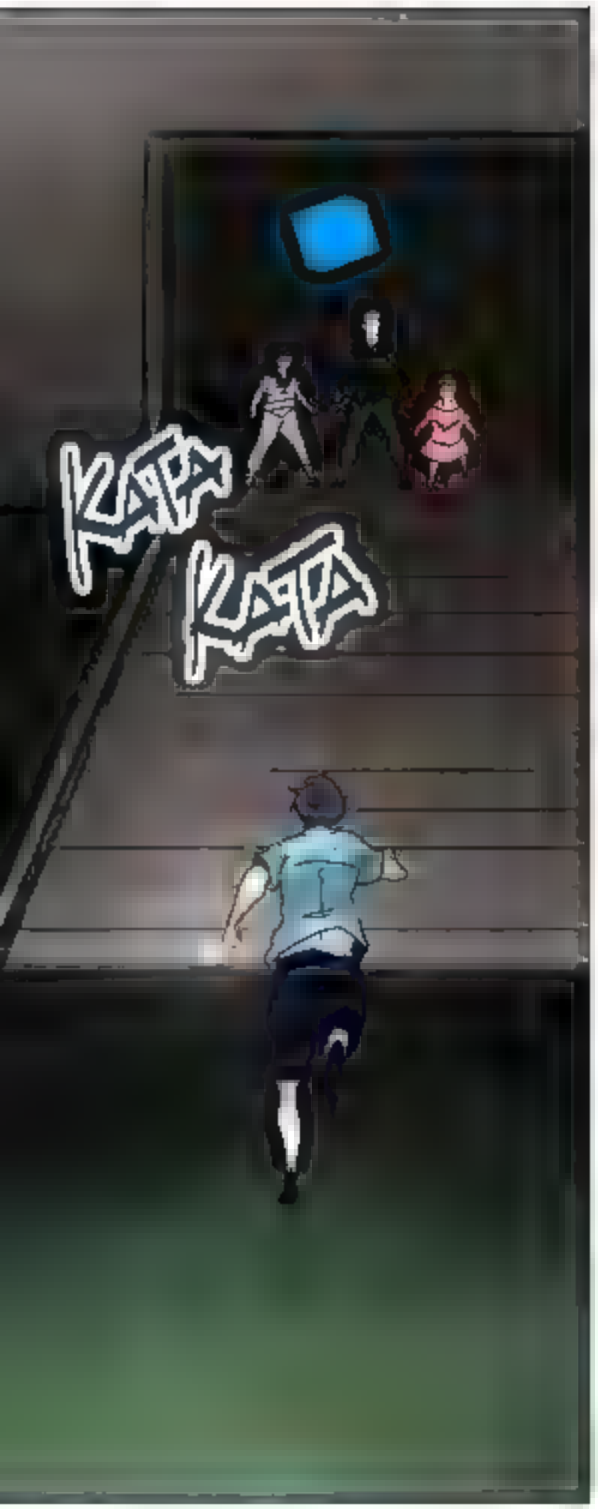
AH.. I'M SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU, BUT...
I'M AN ABANDONED CHILD, SO...

I WAS NEVER EDUCATED.

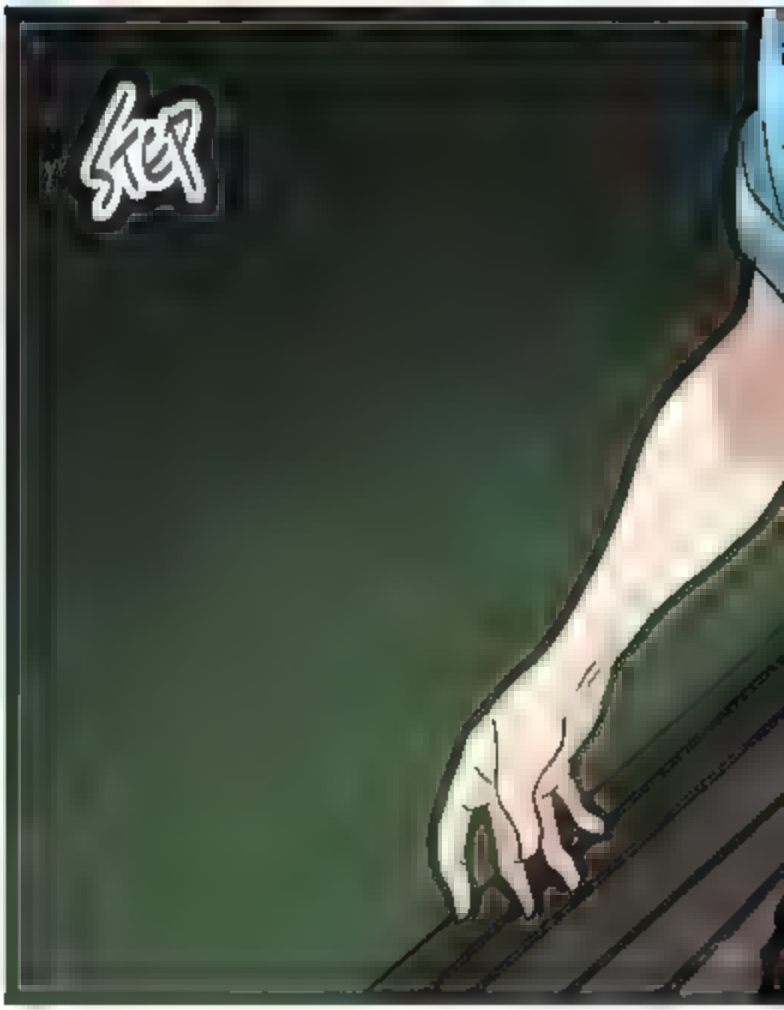
Saint BLOOD

Hmm


....WELL, WELL...
I HAVE A FEELING THAT I'M GONNA HAVE TO KILL ANOTHER GUY FROM THE TEN FAMILIES.


KAPA
KAPA

STOP RIGHT THERE, VIOLE.
!!

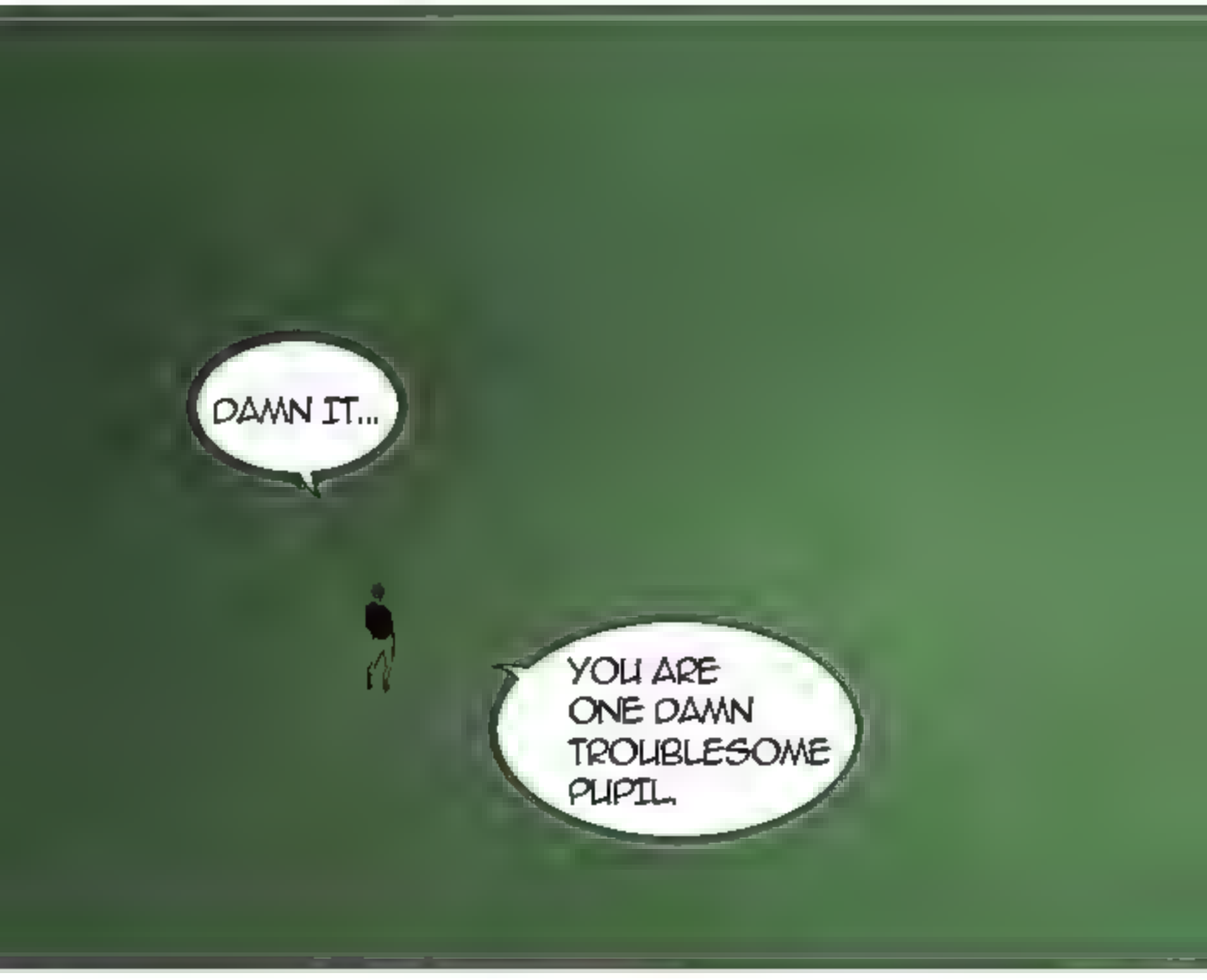

STEP

YOU DIDN'T REALLY THINK
YOU CAN GET AWAY FROM ME AND GET ON THE TRAIN, DID YOU?

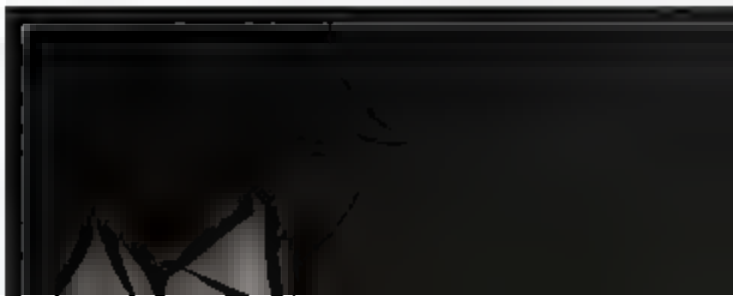
COME BACK, VIOLE.

NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU TRY, I WON'T LET YOU GO TO THE TRAIN.
.....
I'M ONLY DOING THIS FOR YOUR OWN SAKE.
SO, STOP IT.
I KNOW YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT THE GUYS ON THE TRAIN AT THE MOMENT,
BUT IF YOU GO THERE NOW,
Gosh My Neck..

YOU WILL ONLY END UP LOSING MORE COMRADES.
GIVE UP BEFORE YOU REACH YOUR LIMIT.
THIS IS NO JOKE... I MEAN IT.
.....
!
KATA KATA

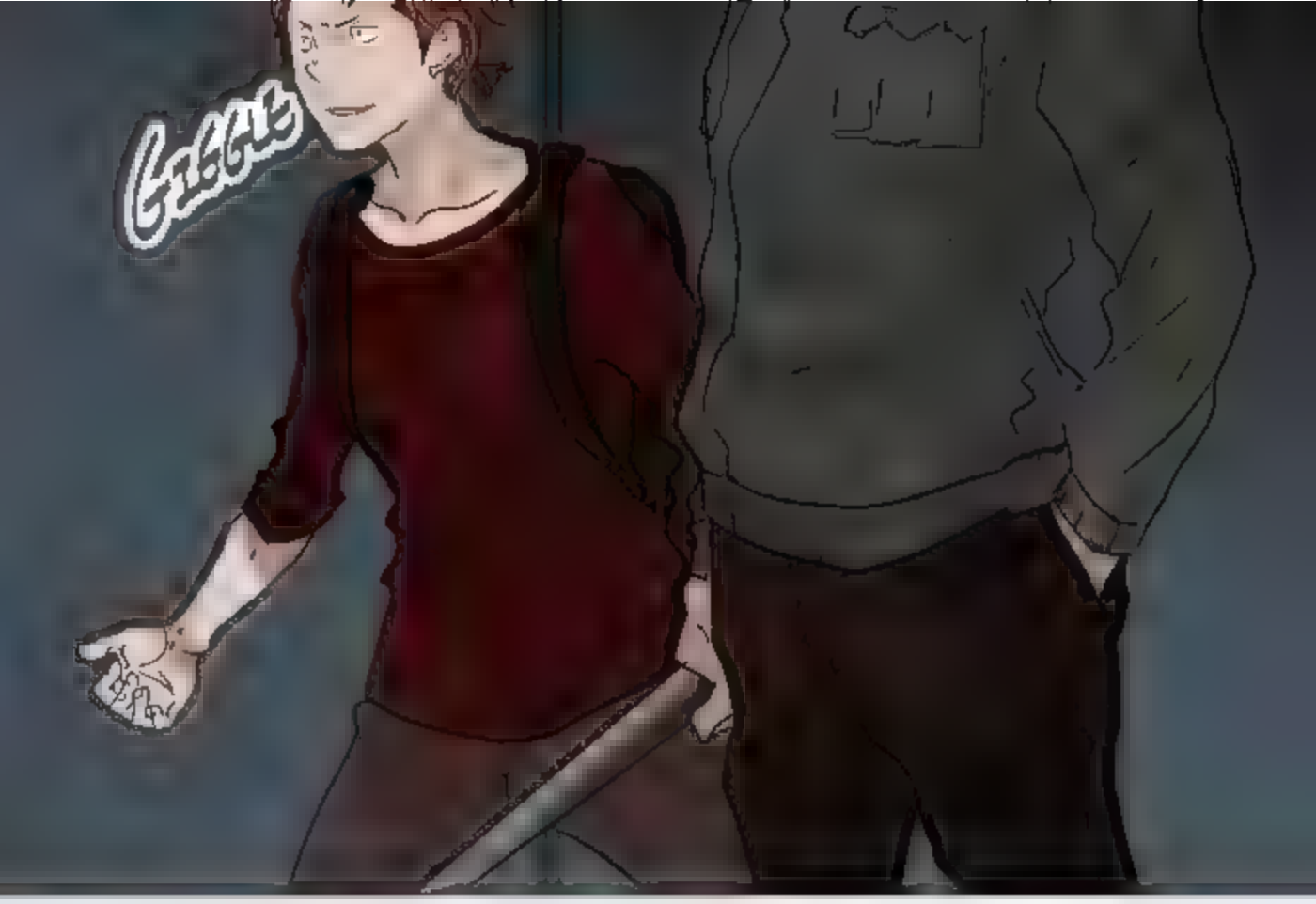

DAMN IT...
YOU ARE ONE DAMN TROUBLESOME PUPIL.

I'M SORRY, BUT...



STOMP-
YOU'VE GOT TO LET THAT PUPIL GO, MISTER.
STOMP-
.....?
WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?

ARE YOU GUYS ALSO VIOLE'S COMRADES?


GRIP

WELL.. IT'S BOTHERSOME TO EXPLAIN EVERYTHING, SO I'LL JUST SAY THAT YOU'RE RIGHT...
AS WE ALSO WANT TO GET ON THE TRAIN.
THERE'S A GUY WE MUST SAVE AS WELL...

MOREOVER, I HEARD THAT FUG GUYS ARE ON THE TRAIN.
WOOSH
YOU SEE, I'M ALSO INTERESTED IN THOSE GUYS.

AH... NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, THEY SAID YOU'RE A MEMBER OF FUG.
ARE YOU REALLY THAT STRONG?
HOW ABOUT A ROUND WITH US?
PLAYING WITH THESE KIDS..

....DRIVES ME CRAZY..
SWISH

NOON

SCREECH!
!!!
THUD
WOOSH
FOR REGULARS..

Boom!
THAT WAS NOT BAD.
Boom!

RUMBLE
!
SMACK

CRACK
HAVE YOU COME BACK TO YOUR SENSES?
KIDDO.

PATTER

AH..

Y...YES, SIR!

WHIR

.....!

NOOSH

HE'S DAMN COOL

THROB THROB

AH...!

PFFT
!!

W...WHAT?!
HE'S DAMN FAST!
.....!
I TOLD YOU TO STOP, VIOLE.
...IF I CAN'T CONVINCE YOU WITH WORDS,

I'M GONNA HAVE TO USE MY STRENGTH.
GRAAK
BOOM

RUMBLE
?
WHAT IS IT...? DEPARTURE?
SCH-
HOO-
THAT MAN.
HOW COULD HE BE SO STRONG WHEN HE'S SO DAMN OLD?
FLASH

SO, I..
PREPARED A TICKET FOR A TRIP...
SO THAT YOU CAN TAKE SOME REST.

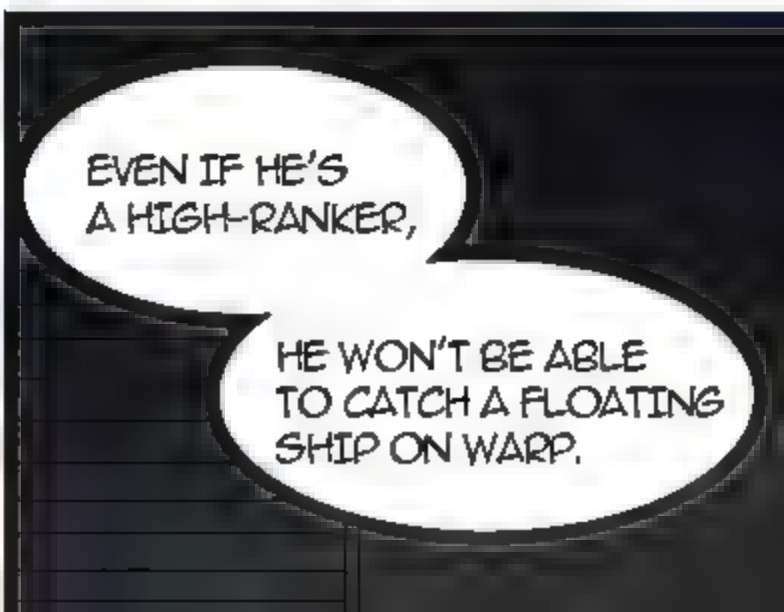
BOOM
!!
LIGHTHOUSE TELEPORT...?!

RUMB
NO WAY...
ARE THEY...?
LEE

SWOOSH
ARGH!

RUMBLE
GOOD-BYE, MISTER.

WE NEVER INTENDED ON GETTING OUT FROM THE BEGINNING.


EVEN IF HE'S A HIGH-RANKER,
HE WON'T BE ABLE TO CATCH A FLOATING SHIP ON WARP.

YOU'RE THE ONE GOING OUT.
WE'RE GOING TO THE MIDDLE AREA BY THIS FLOATING SHIP, AND WILL GO TO THE NEXT FLOOR.
.....
AND THAT'S WHY HE WAS STANDING STILL UNTIL THE DOOR WAS OPENED.
HAVE A SAFE TRIP.
THEY GOT ME.
THIS PLAN WAS...

TO GET RID OF ME FROM THE BEGINNING...
MISSION SUCCESS!

HUMM

ARE YOU NOT GOING TO CATCH THEM?
I BELIEVE YOU CAN EASILY DO THAT.
NAH.
IF I DO THAT, THE ADMINISTRATOR WILL SCOLD ME... EVEN IF IT'S ME.
I SHOULD SEND OUT A MESSAGE TO THE REGULARS FOR NOW.
THING'S HAVE GOTTEN COMPLICATED...
SINCE WHAT'S HAPPENED HAS HAPPENED,
IS THERE ANY POSSIBILITY THAT VIOLE CAN STOP HOAQIN?
THAT'S NONSENSE.
IF IT'S REALLY HIM,

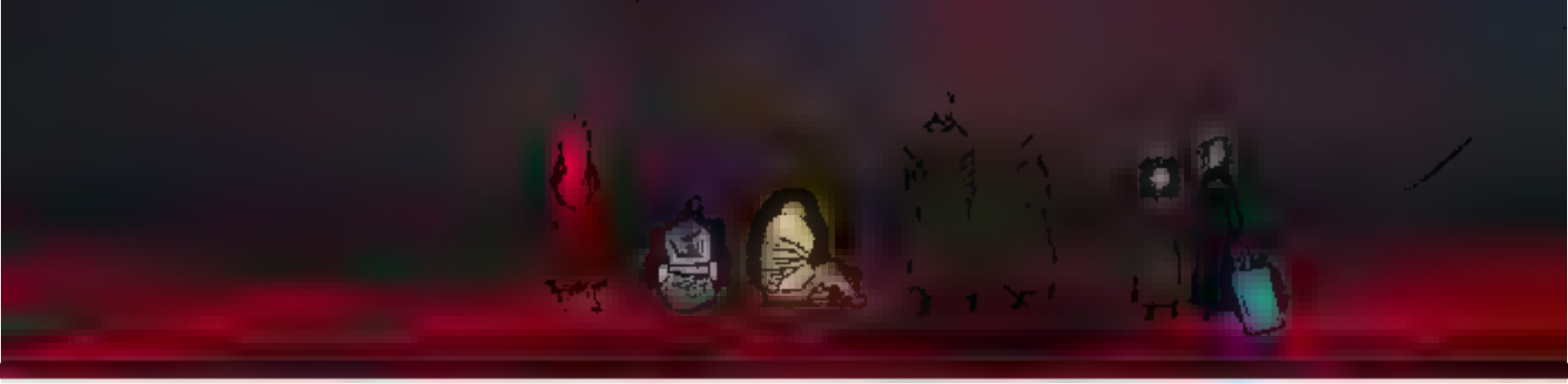
VIOLE IS
NO MATCH
FOR HIM.

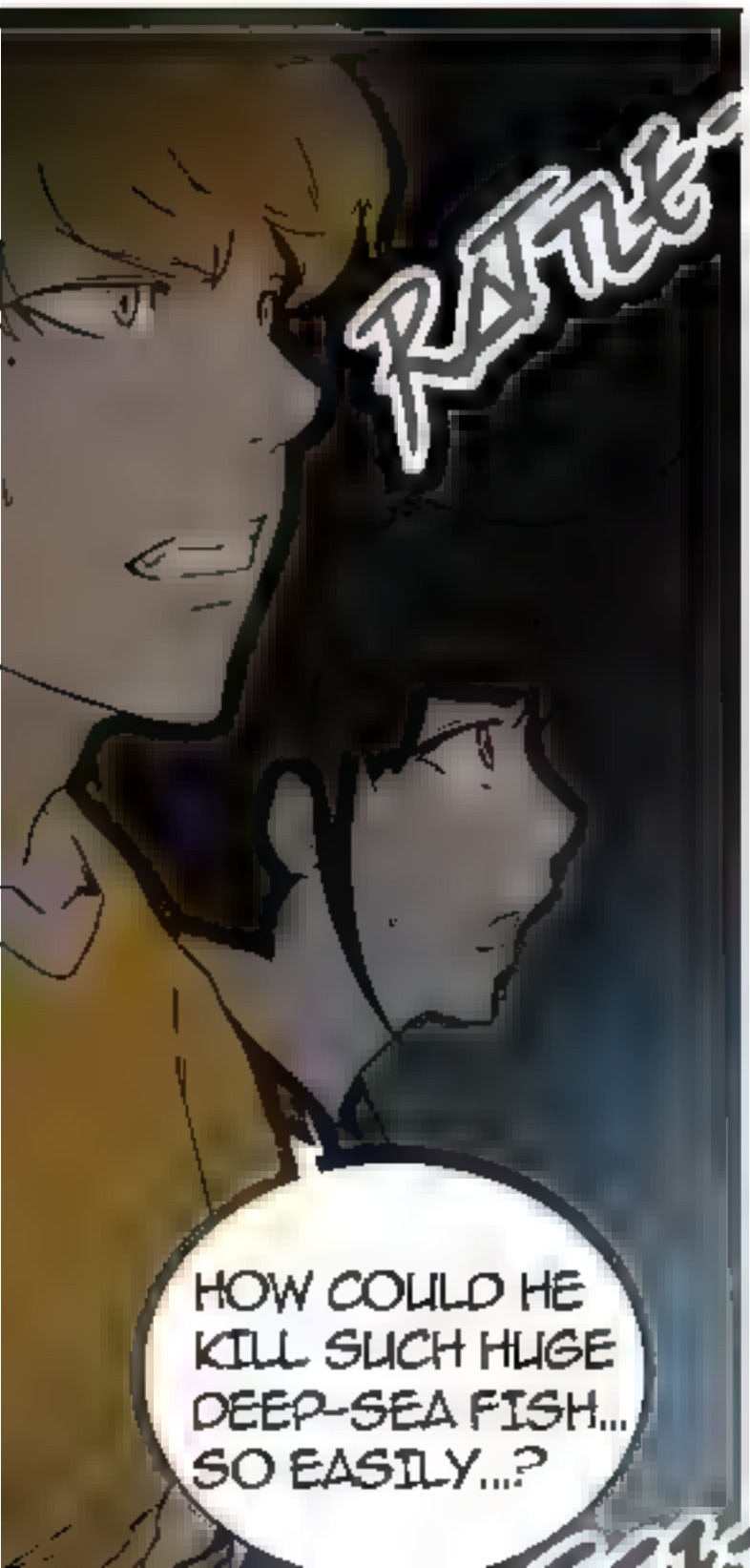
RATTLE

YOU'VE PASSED STAGE 36.

RATTLE

YOU MAY GET ON THE TRAIN ON THE NEXT FLOOR AS WELL.




HOW COULD HE KILL SUCH HUGE DEEP-SEA FISH... SO EASILY...?

RUMBLE
JUE VIOLE...
JUE VIOLE GRACE...
HOW ON EARTH..?
HE IS...

RATTLE

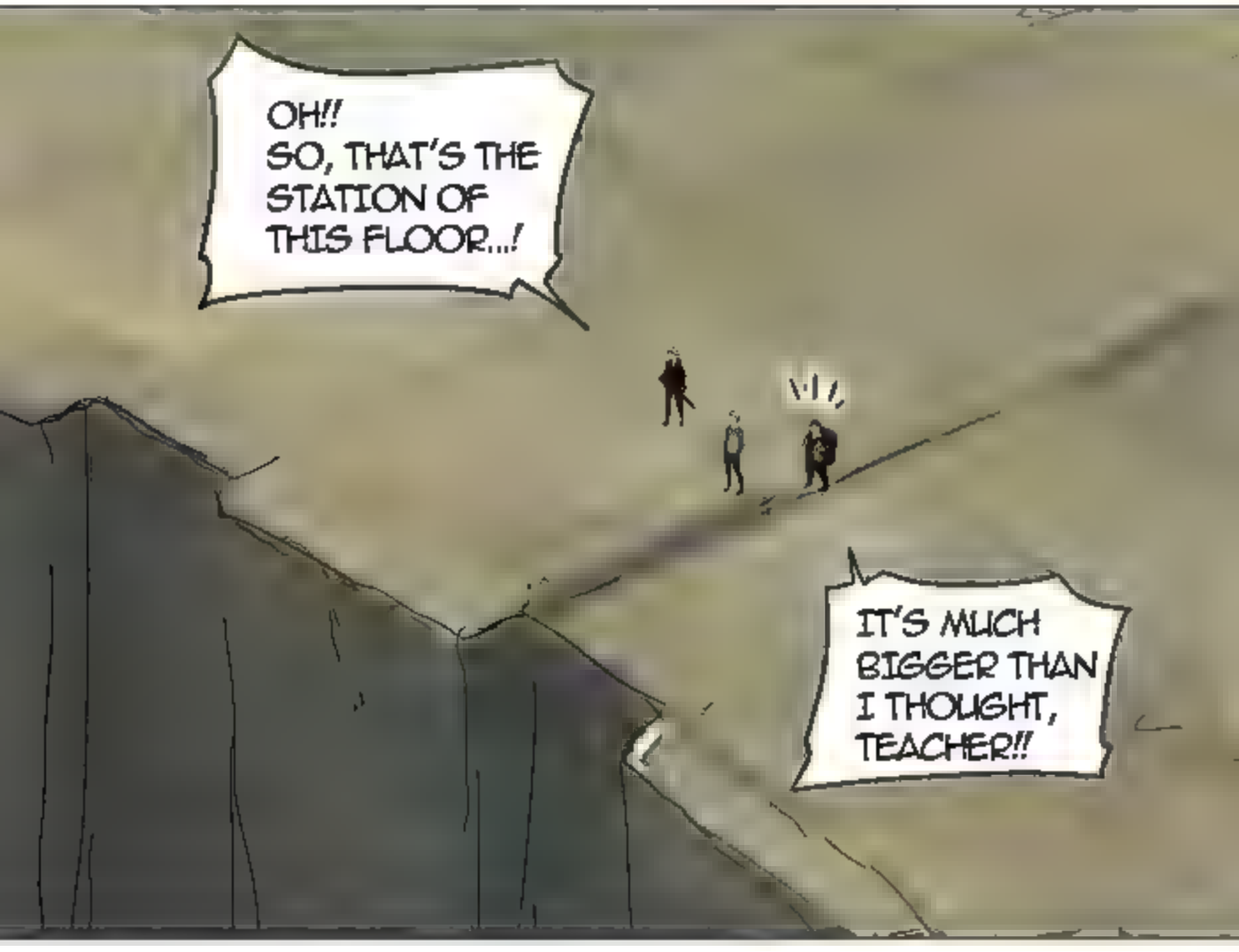
I JUST WANT TO KILL HIM..

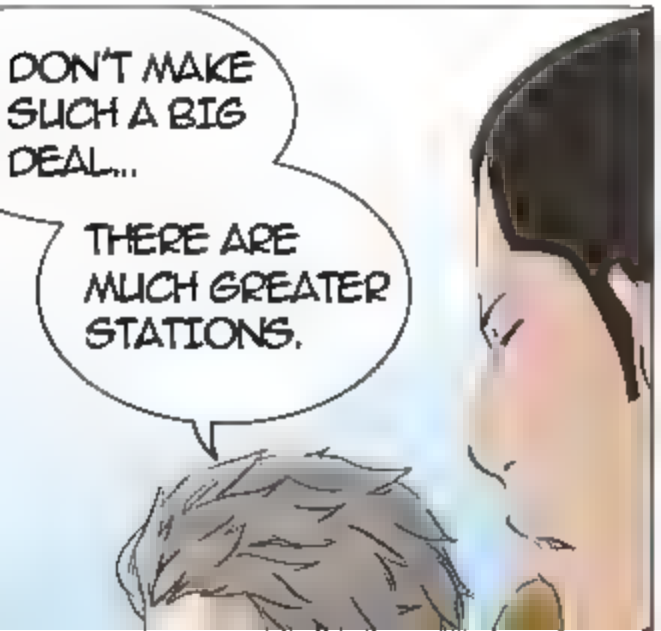
RATTLE

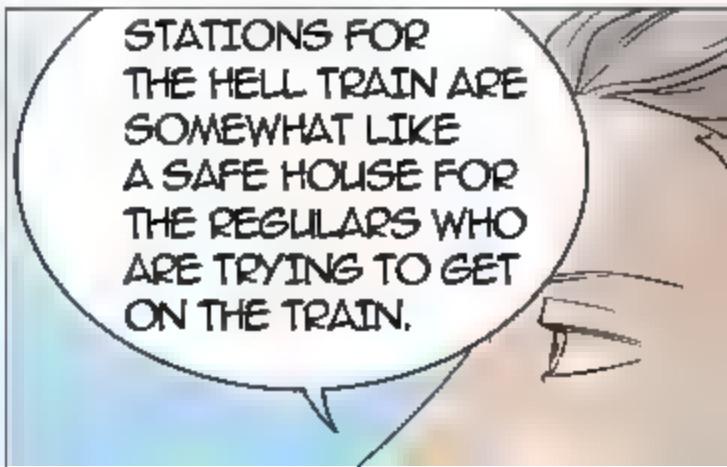
A MONSTER...!

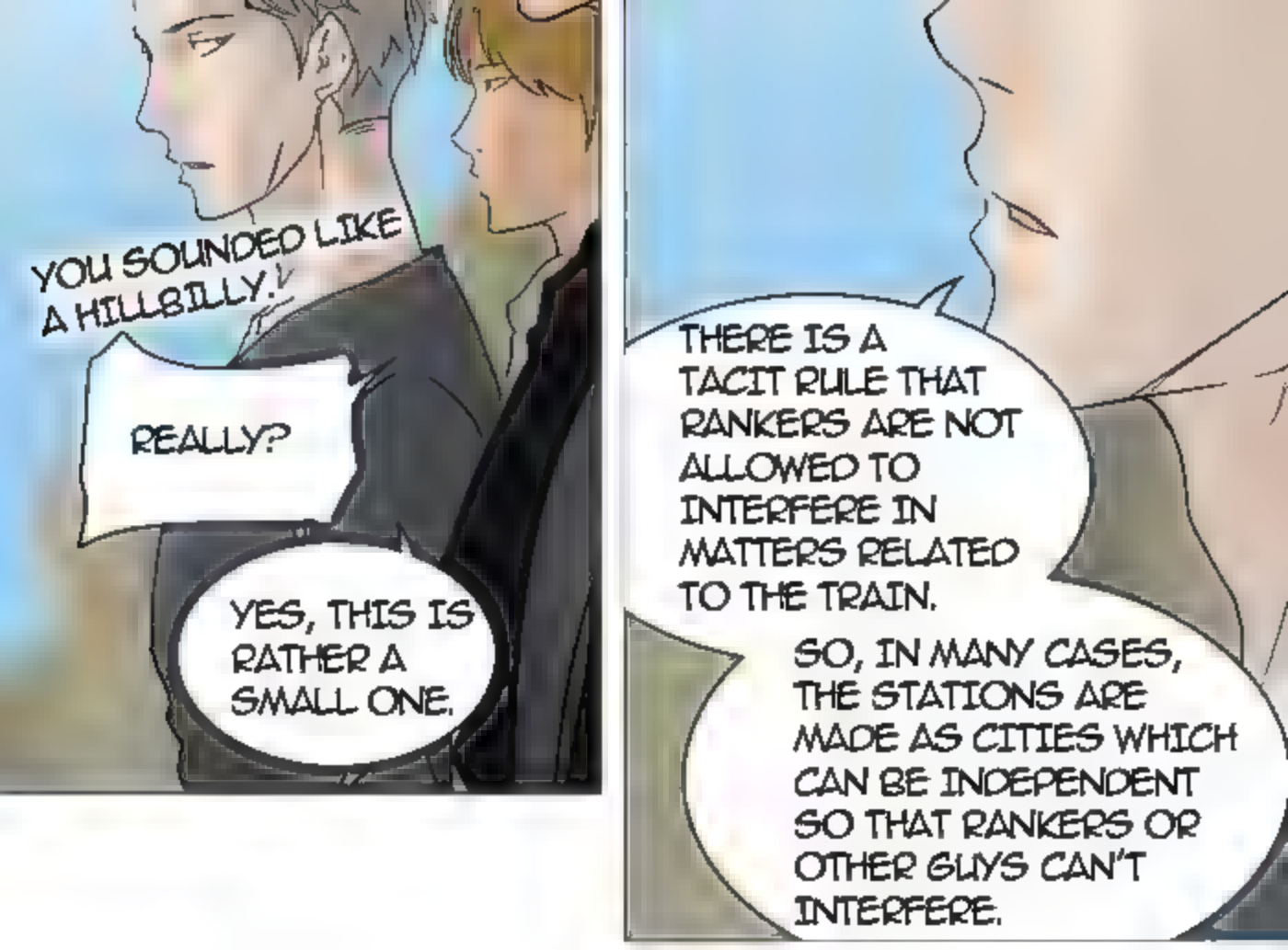
LINE Webtoon

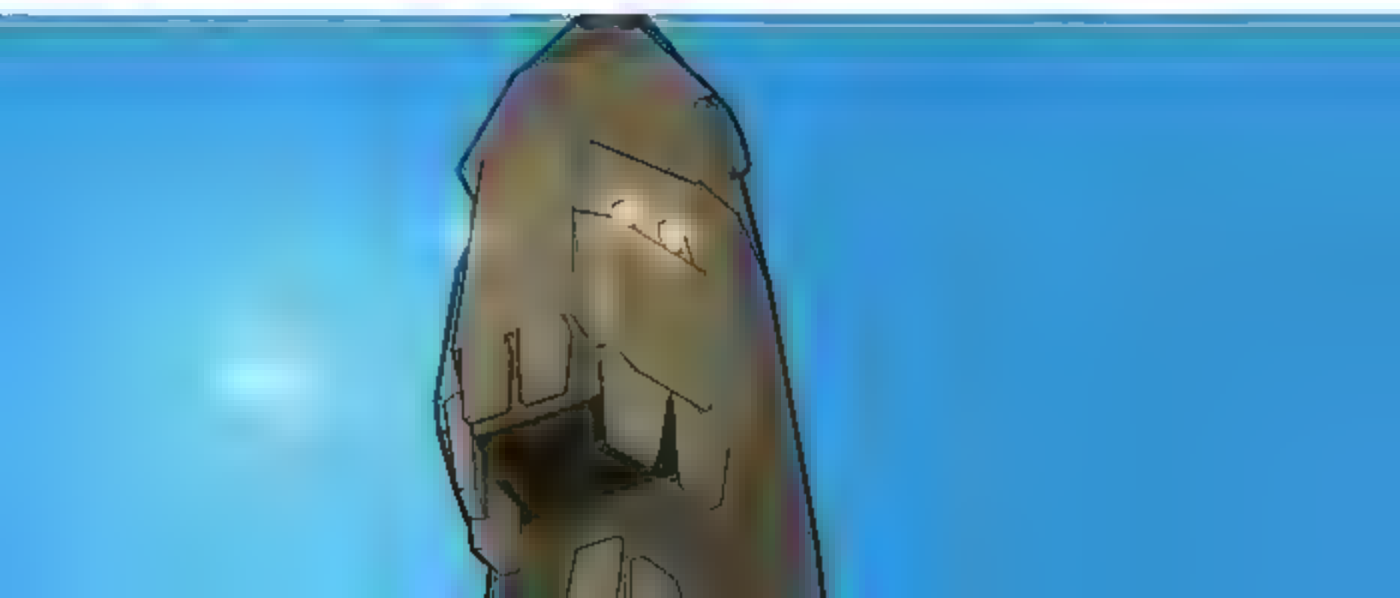
FLOOR 37
MIDDLE AREA
OF THE TOWER
THE HELL TRAIN
STATION
'WOODEN HORSE'

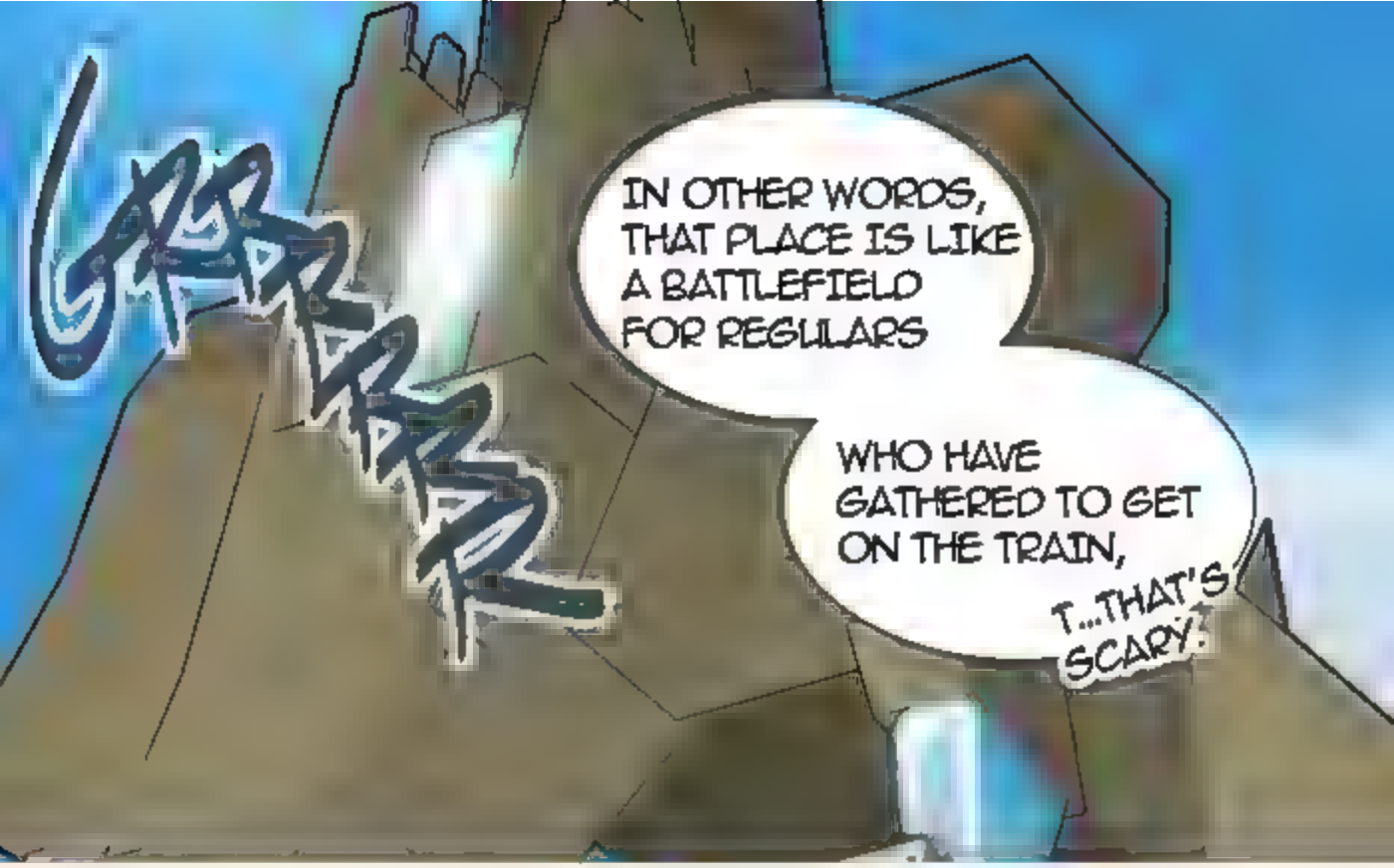

OH!!
SO, THAT'S THE STATION OF THIS FLOOR...!
IT'S MUCH BIGGER THAN I THOUGHT, TEACHER!!

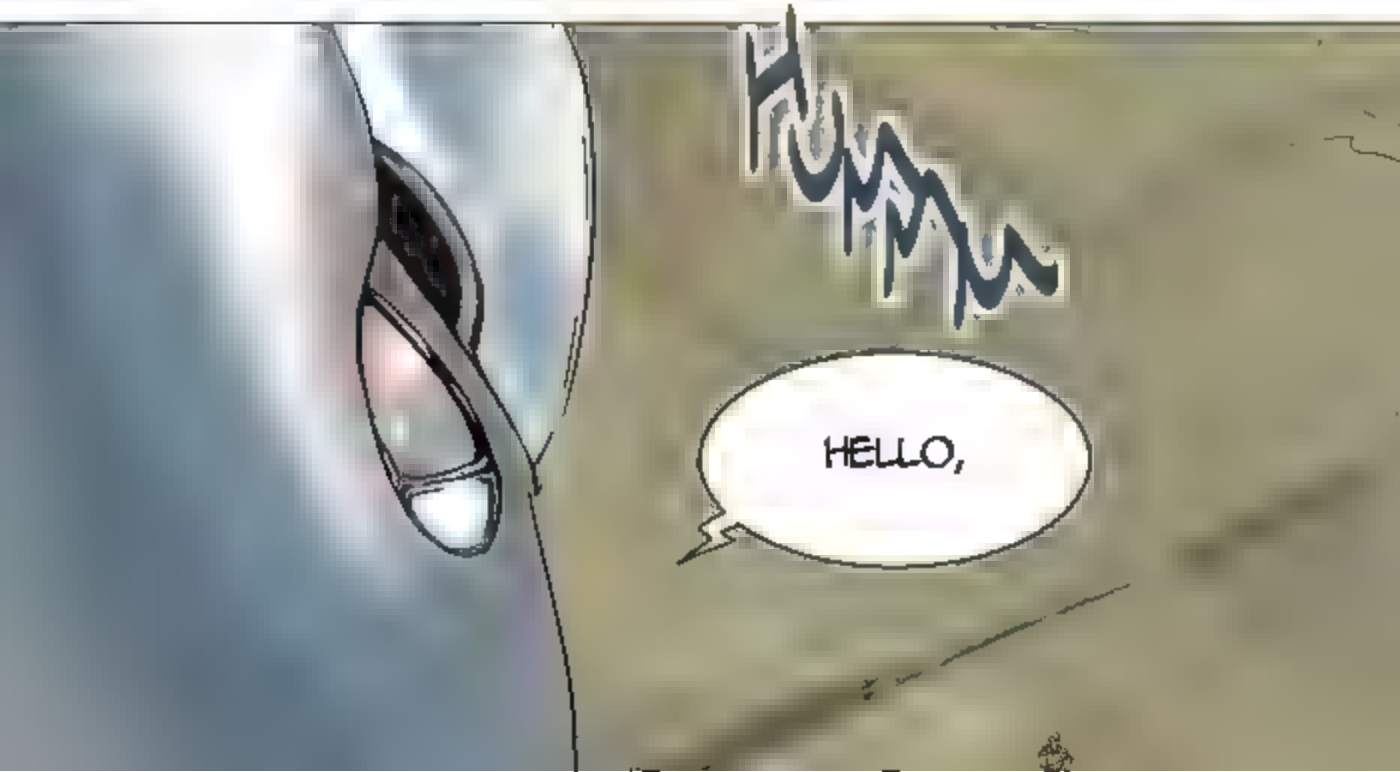

DON'T MAKE SUCH A BIG DEAL...
THERE ARE MUCH GREATER STATIONS.


STATIONS FOR THE HELL TRAIN ARE SOMEWHAT LIKE A SAFE HOUSE FOR THE REGULARS WHO ARE TRYING TO GET ON THE TRAIN.

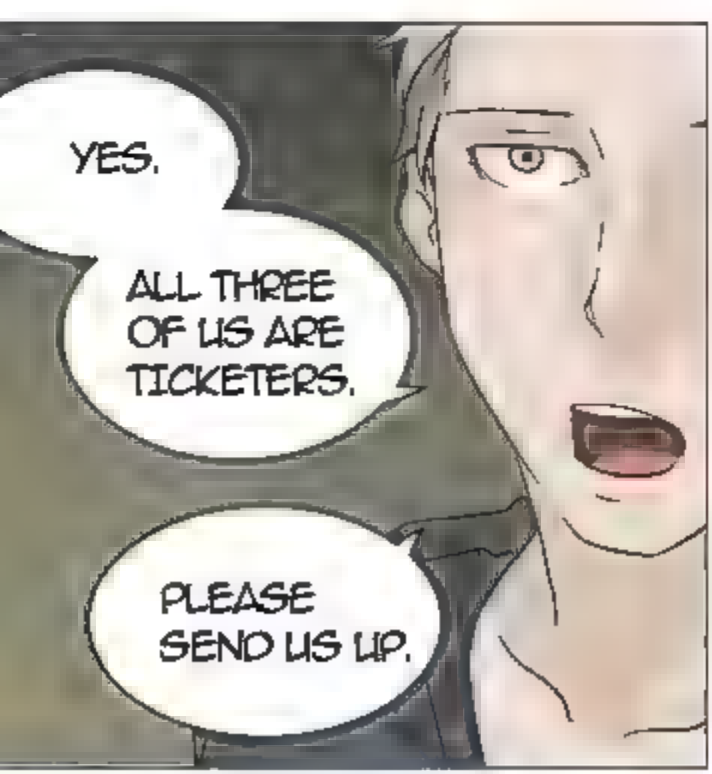

YOU SOUNDED LIKE A HILLBILLY.
REALLY?
YES, THIS IS RATHER A SMALL ONE.
THERE IS A TACIT RULE THAT RANKERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO INTERFERE IN MATTERS RELATED TO THE TRAIN.
SO, IN MANY CASES, THE STATIONS ARE MADE AS CITIES WHICH CAN BE INDEPENDENT SO THAT RANKERS OR OTHER GUYS CAN'T INTERFERE.

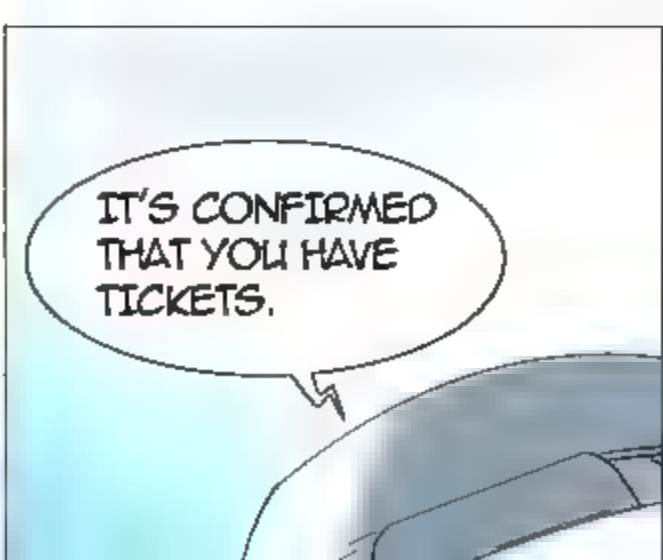



GRRRRR
IN OTHER WORDS, THAT PLACE IS LIKE A BATTLEFIELD FOR REGULARS
WHO HAVE GATHERED TO GET ON THE TRAIN,
T...THAT'S SCARY.

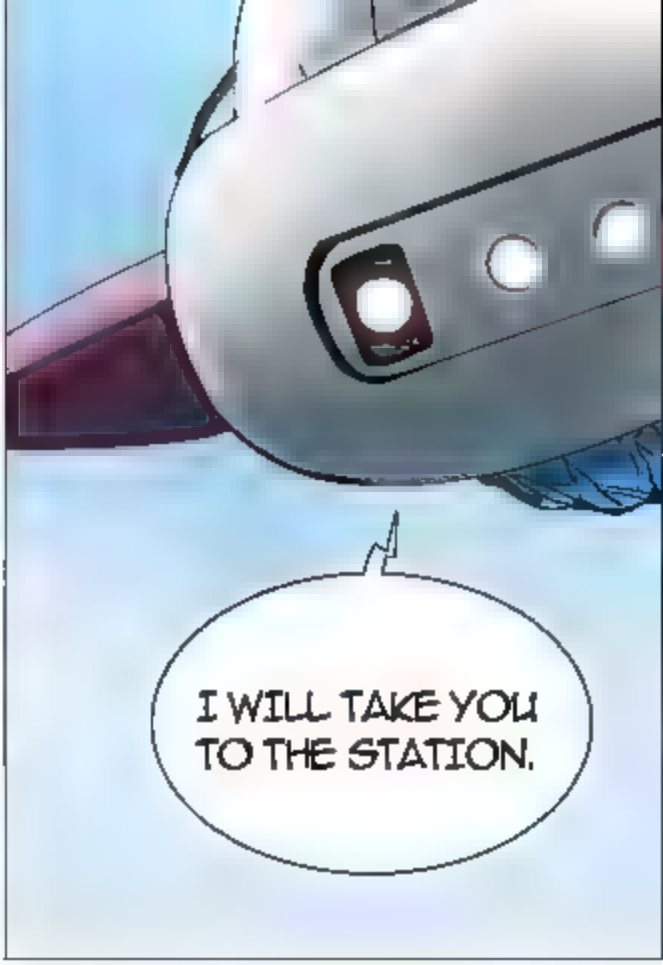

Hum
HELLO,

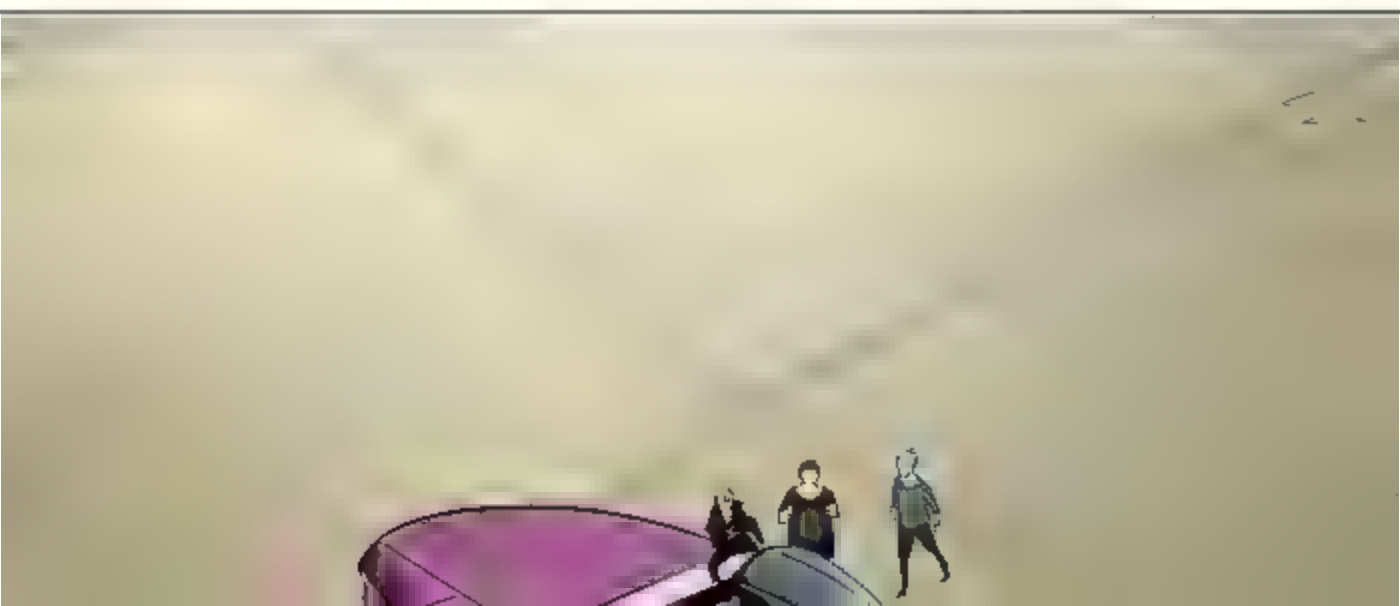
!
HAVE YOU COME TO GET ON THE STATION, BY ANY CHANCE?


YES.
ALL THREE OF US ARE TICKETERS.
PLEASE SEND US UP.


IT'S CONFIRMED THAT YOU HAVE TICKETS.

I WILL SCAN YOU.
BEEP


I WILL TAKE YOU TO THE STATION.



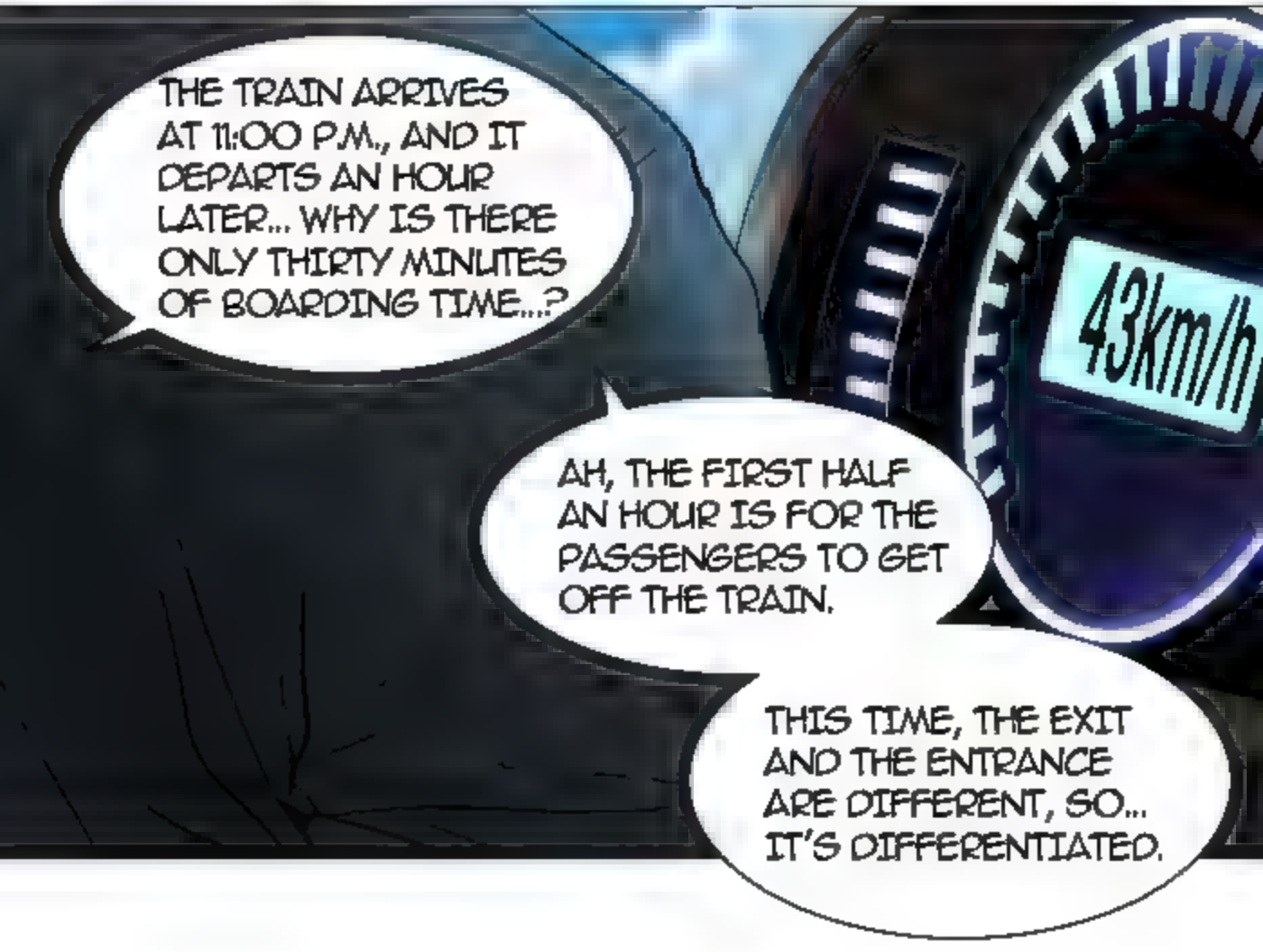
HUMM

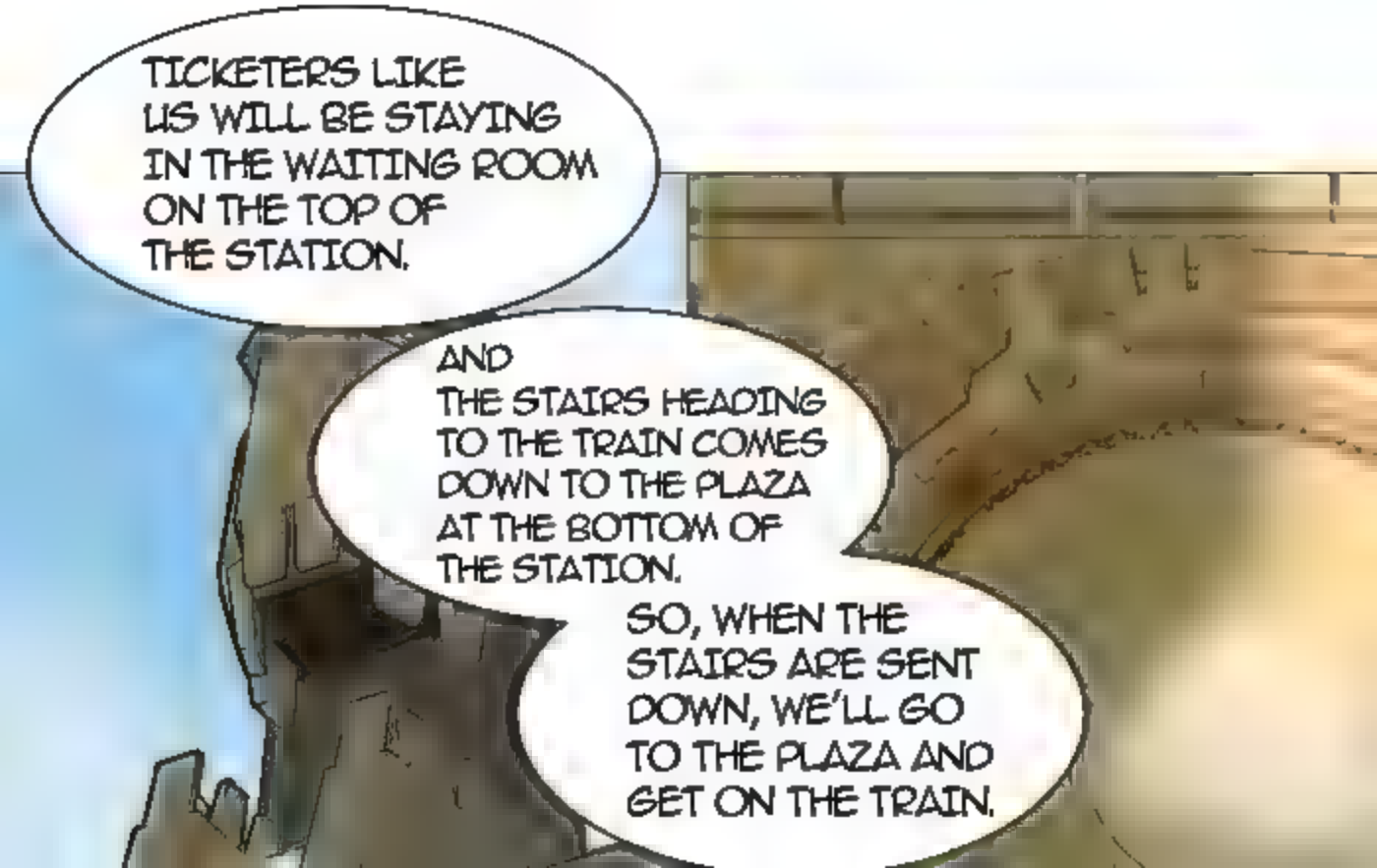
Tower of God

BY THE WAY, TEACHER.
SHOOOM
EXACTLY WHEN WILL THE TRAIN ARRIVE AT THE STATION?

PROBABLY AROUND 11:00 P.M.
11:00 P.M.?

YES. THE TRAIN STAYS AT THE STATION FOR AN HOUR, AND THERE WILL ONLY BE THIRTY MINUTES OF BOARDING TIME.
THAT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE TO GET ON.
IT'S ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THAT...


THE TRAIN ARRIVES AT 11:00 P.M., AND IT DEPARTS AN HOUR LATER... WHY IS THERE ONLY THIRTY MINUTES OF BOARDING TIME...?
43km/h
AH, THE FIRST HALF AN HOUR IS FOR THE PASSENGERS TO GET OFF THE TRAIN.
THIS TIME, THE EXIT AND THE ENTRANCE ARE DIFFERENT, SO... IT'S DIFFERENTIATED.

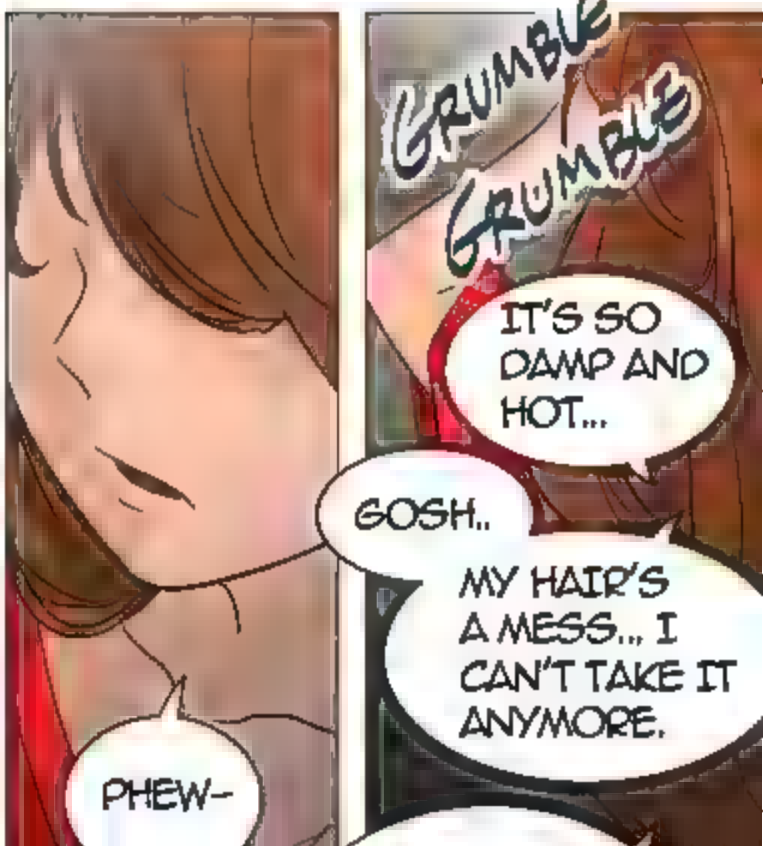

TICKETERS LIKE US WILL BE STAYING IN THE WAITING ROOM ON THE TOP OF THE STATION.
AND THE STAIRS HEADING TO THE TRAIN COMES DOWN TO THE PLAZA AT THE BOTTOM OF THE STATION.
SO, WHEN THE STAIRS ARE SENT DOWN, WE'LL GO TO THE PLAZA AND GET ON THE TRAIN.

BUT OF COURSE, A BUNCH OF THE GUYS WHO ARE AFTER THE TICKETS WILL BE WAITING THERE, SO...
TONIGHT IS GOING TO BE...
SHOOM-
A COMPLETE DISASTER.

CLANK
INSIDE THE HELL TRAIN
CLANK
LOUNGE

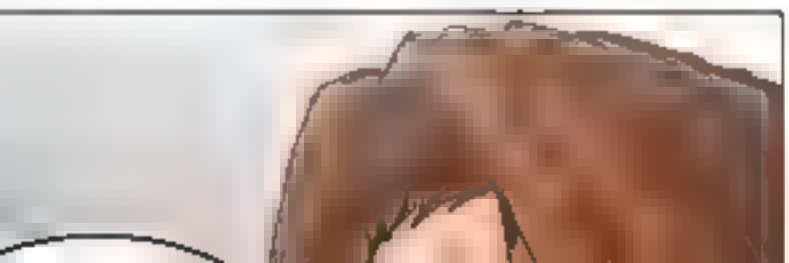
CLANK
SHOOSH-
AH-
I'M SOAKED IN SWEAT.
CLANK

SSH-


GRUMBLE GRUMBLE
IT'S SO DAMP AND HOT...
GOSH..
MY HAIR'S A MESS.., I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE.
PHEW-

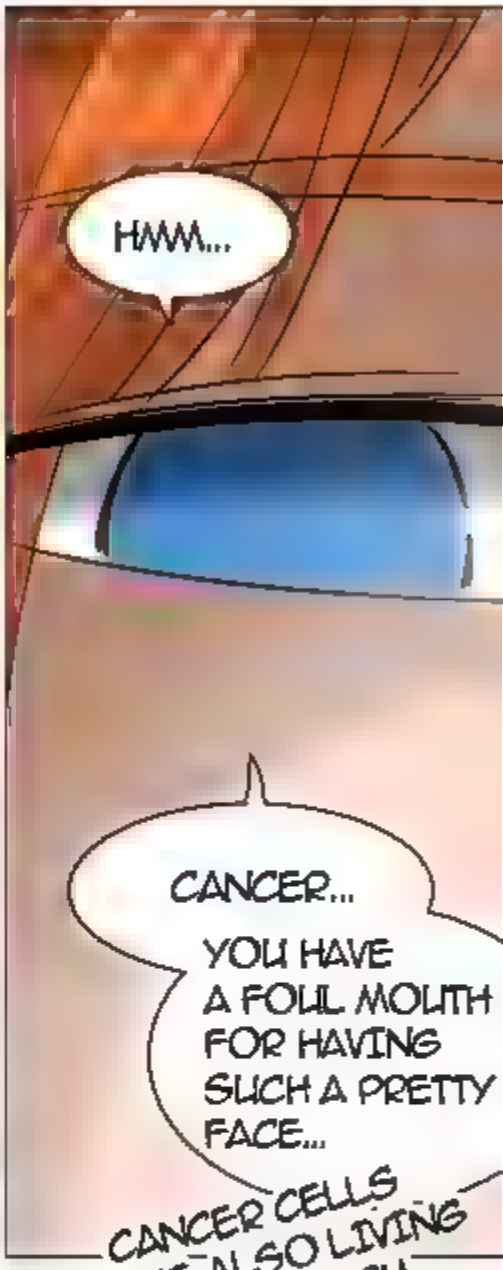
I WANNA GET OUT OF HERE AND GO TO A HAIR SHOP.
THERE ISN'T ONE THING I LIKE ABOUT THIS PLACE.
WHAT'S MORE, THAT HOAQIN GUY...
GRUMBLE
GRUMBLE
HE SEEMS LIKE A COMPLETE NUTJOB.

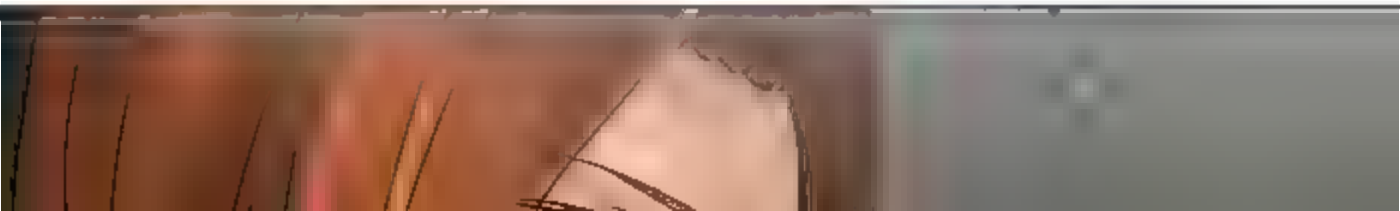
HEY..
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH BY WAKING UP SUCH A NUTJOB?
HUFF
HUFF



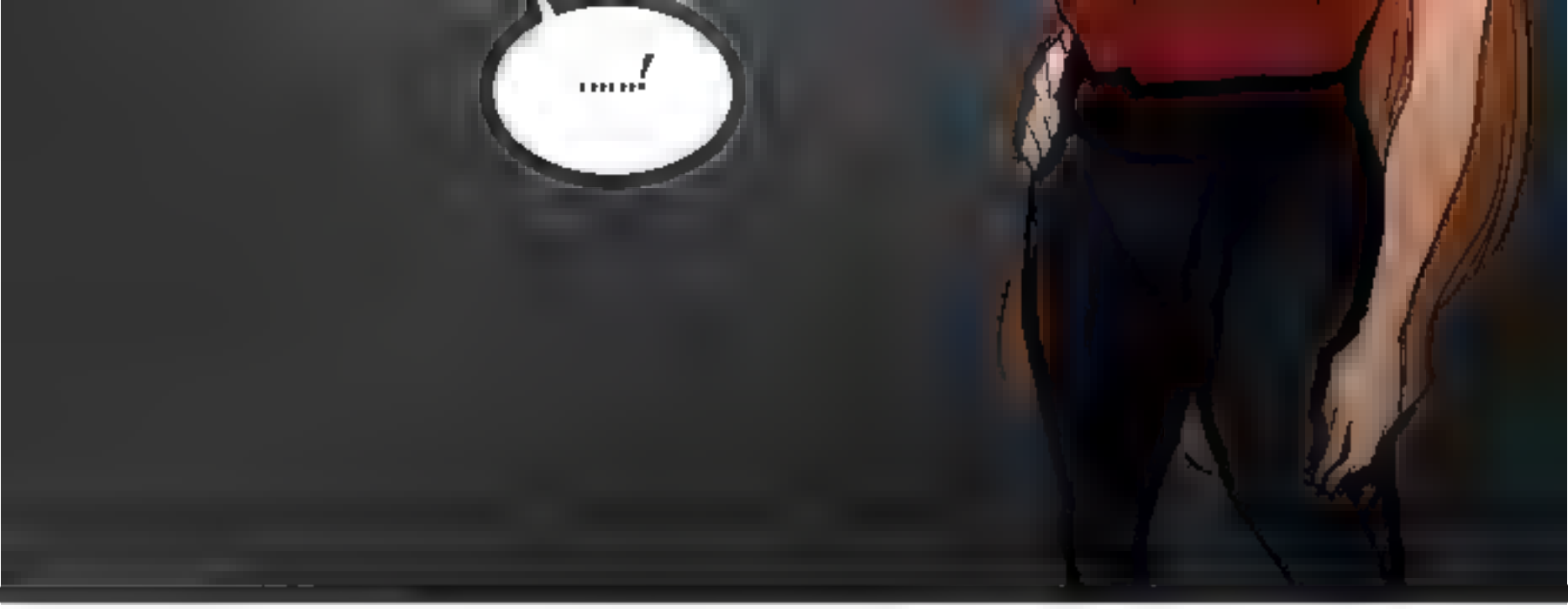
AH.. MONKEY.
I GUESS YOU'RE OKAY NOW. I THOUGHT YOU WERE DYING UNTIL A WHILE AGO....
FEELING BETTER AFTER MY TREATMENT, HUH?
BE THANKFUL THAT YOU STILL HAVE YOUR HAND ATTACHED ON YOUR BODY.
.....YOU TREATED ME IN ORDER TO USE ME A HOSTAGE.
HUFF-
HUFF-
THANKFUL, MY ASS...
AH~ BUT, PLEASE DON'T FALL FOR ME.
I DON'T EVEN WANT TO TALK TO AN UGLY GUY LIKE YOU.
FIRM
LISTEN TO ME, YOU B*TCH...
WELL.. I KNOW IT'S HARSH TO WARN YOU NOT TO FALL FOR SUCH AN ATTRACTIVE GIRL LIKE ME, THOUGH...
I BET YOU'LL BE THINKING OF ME ON TRAIN EVERY NIGHT.

STOP CHANGING THE SUBJECT, AND ANSWER THE QUESTION!
WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU PLANNING TO DO BY WAKING UP THAT KIND OF A MONSTER?!
FUG... ! YOU GUYS ARE NOTHING BUT CANCER TO THIS TOWER!!

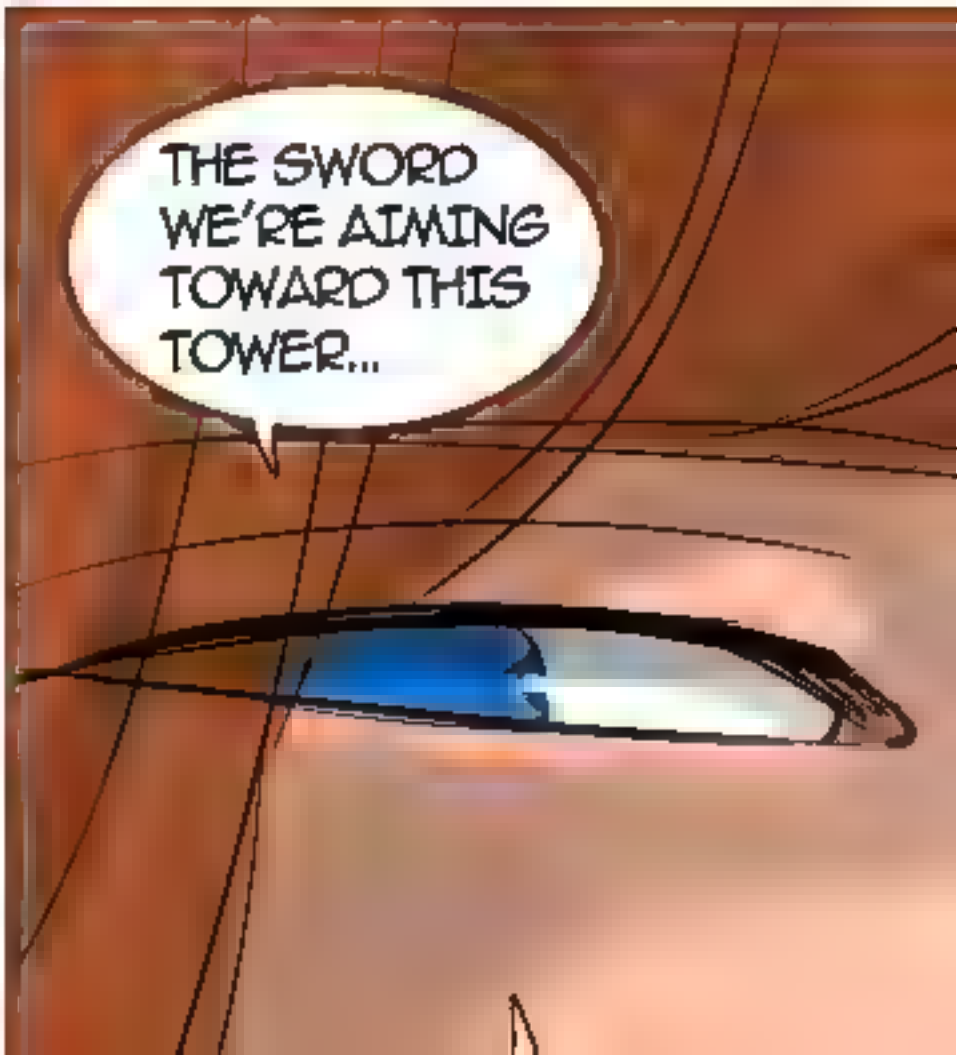

HMM...
CANCER...
YOU HAVE A FOUL MOUTH FOR HAVING SUCH A PRETTY FACE...
CANCER CELLS ARE ALSO LIVING CELLS, WATCH YOUR TONGUE.

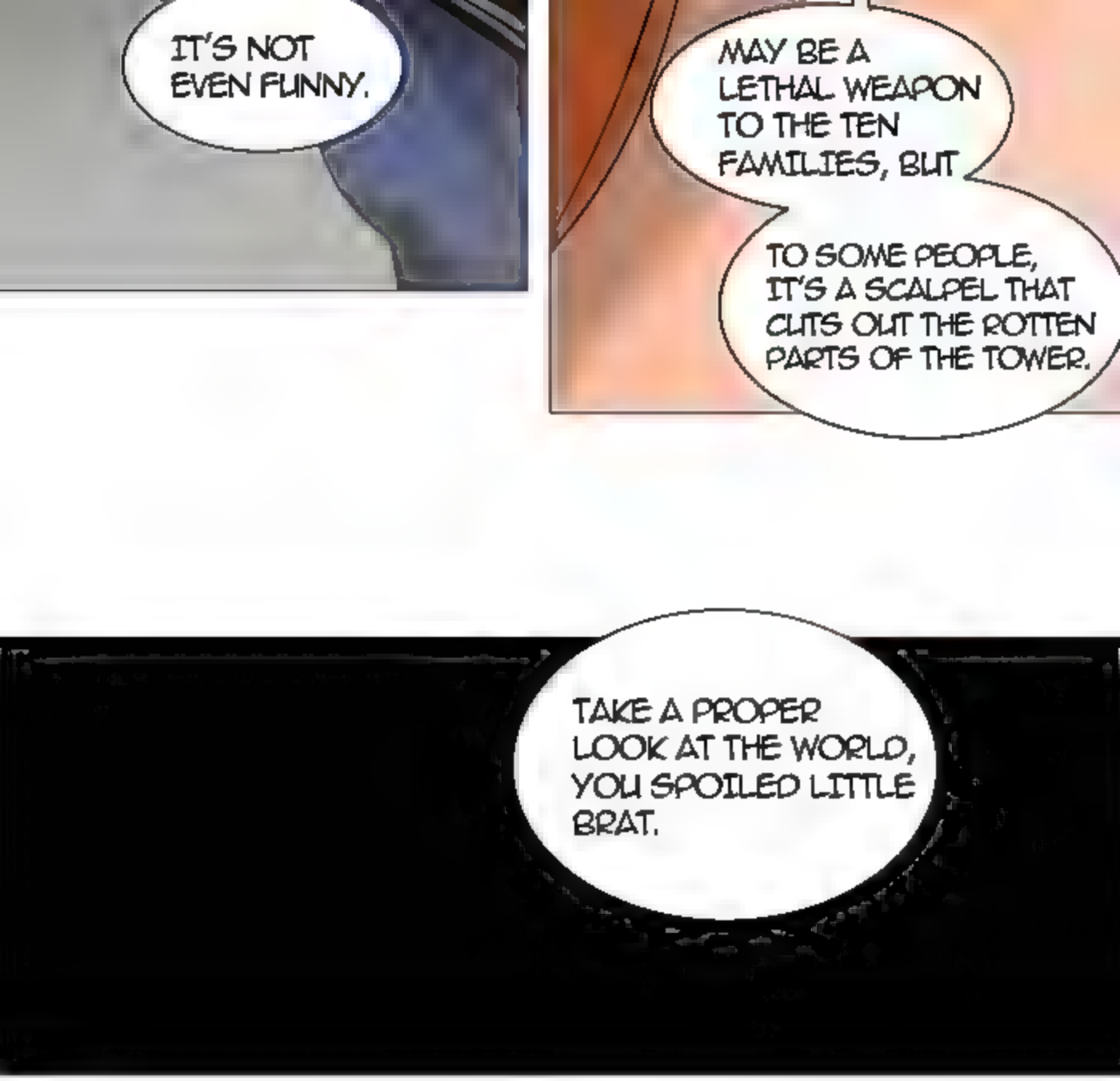


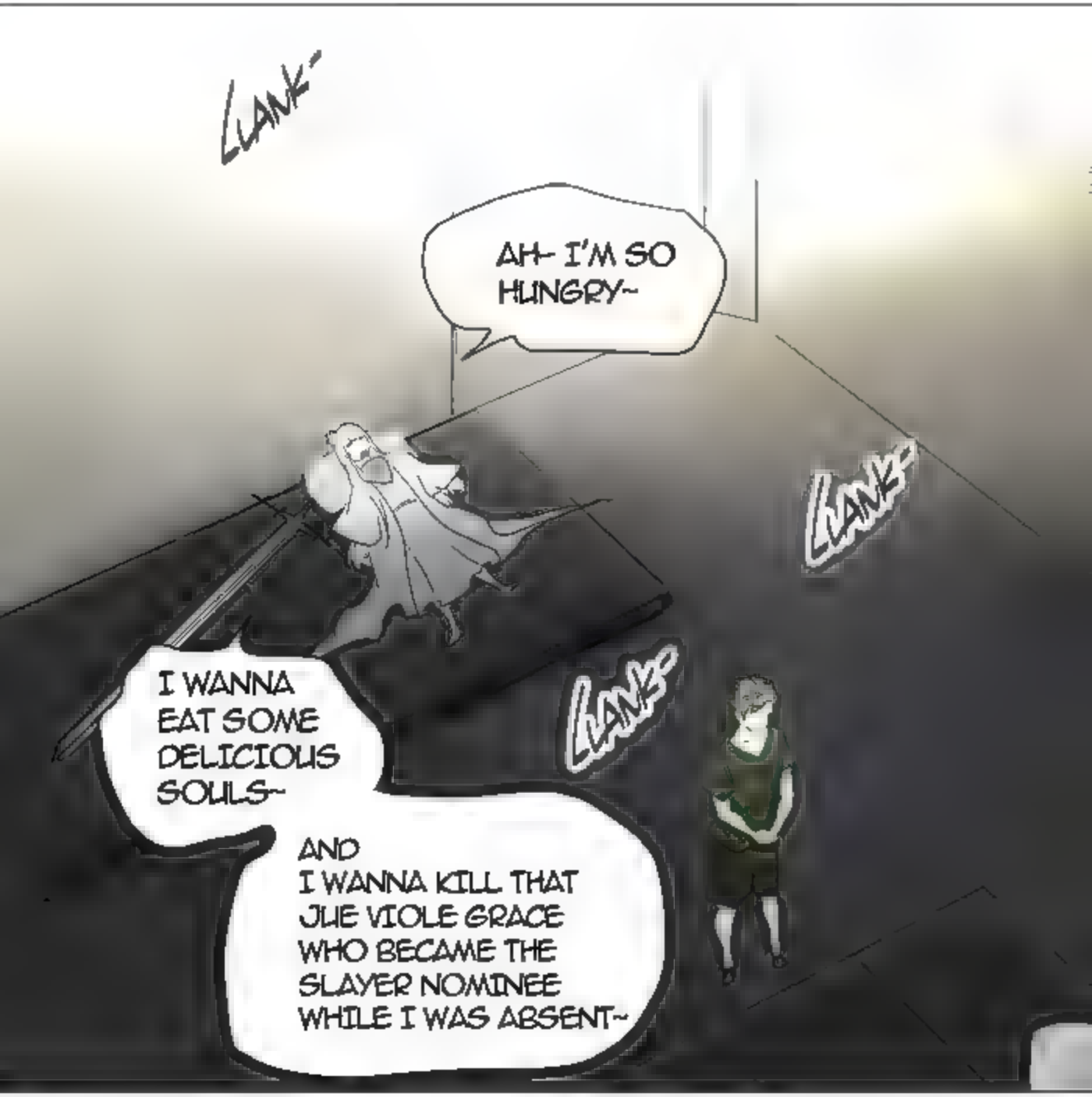
YOU ARE... FROM THE YEON FAMILY OF THE TEN FAMILIES, RIGHT?
BY ANY CHANCE...
DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY BABIES ARE BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK IN A YEAR... BY MEN FROM THE TEN FAMILIES...
RAPING WOMEN IN THE MIDDLE AREA?

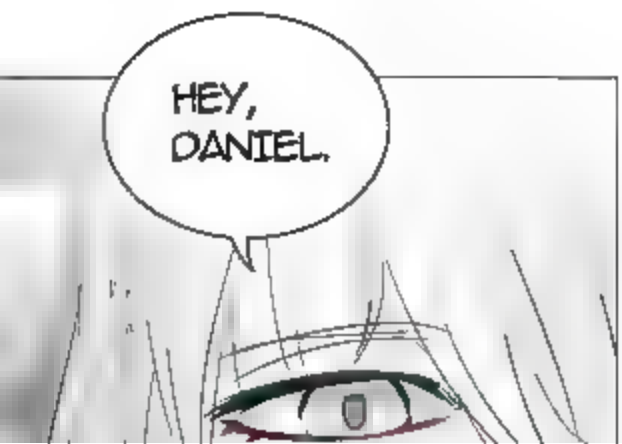

...!

OF COURSE YOU DON'T. OR... YOU MAY BE PRETENDING NOT TO KNOW.
THE ONES WHO HAVE ALWAYS HID THEIR OWN WRONG-DOINGS... CALLING US THE CANCER...
.....THAT'S..

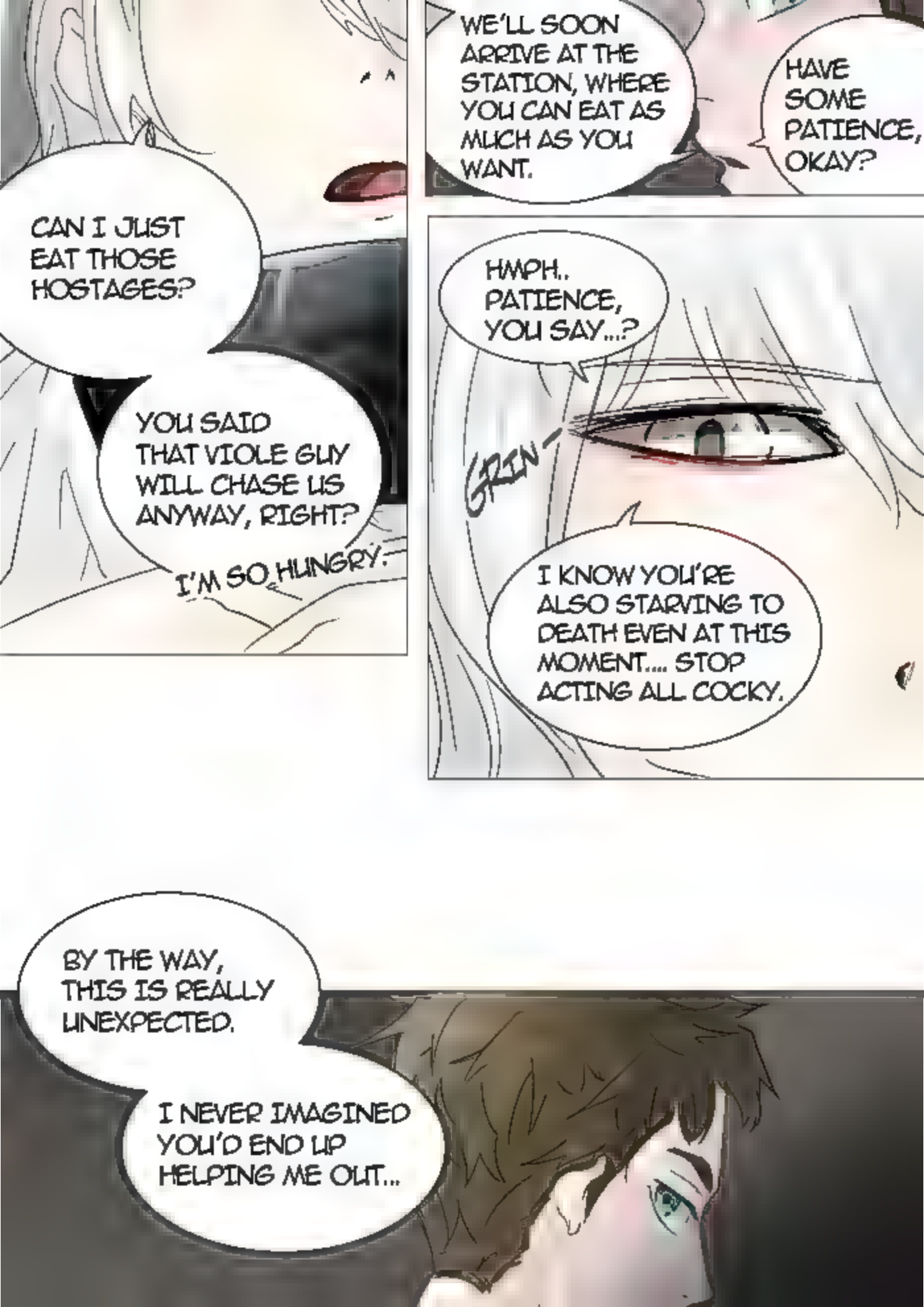

THE SWORD WE'RE AIMING TOWARD THIS TOWER...


IT'S NOT EVEN FUNNY.
MAY BE A LETHAL WEAPON TO THE TEN FAMILIES, BUT
TO SOME PEOPLE, IT'S A SCALPEL THAT CUTS OUT THE ROTTEN PARTS OF THE TOWER.
TAKE A PROPER LOOK AT THE WORLD, YOU SPOILED LITTLE BRAT.


CLANK~
AH~ I'M SO HUNGRY~
CLANK~
CLANK~
I WANNA EAT SOME DELICIOUS SOULS~
AND I WANNA KILL THAT JUE VIOLE GRACE WHO BECAME THE SLAYER NOMINEE WHILE I WAS ABSENT~


HEY, DANIEL.

STOP THE WHINING, HOAQIN.

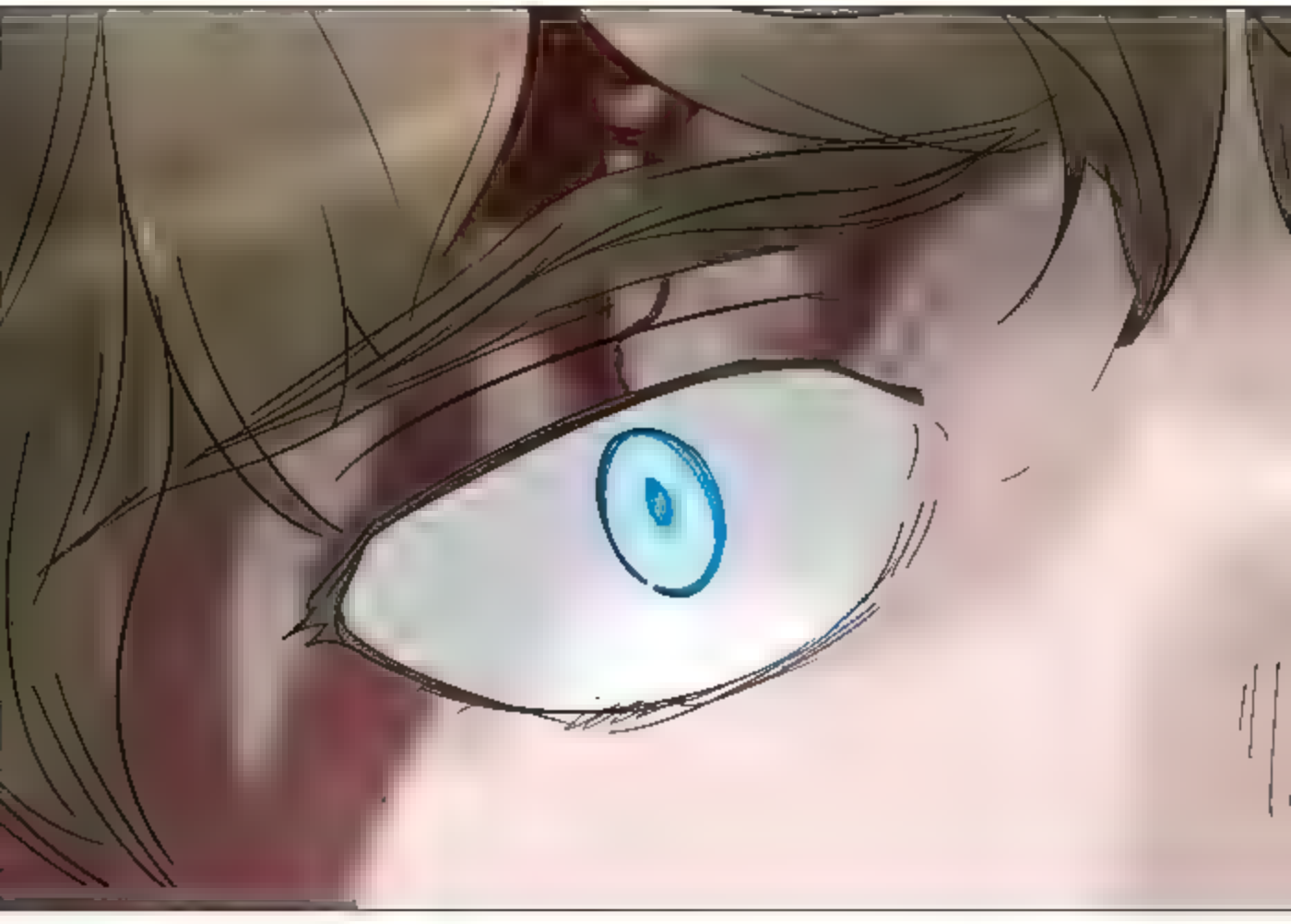

CAN I JUST EAT THOSE HOSTAGES?
YOU SAID THAT VIOLE GUY WILL CHASE US ANYWAY, RIGHT?
I'M SO HUNGRY.
WE'LL SOON ARRIVE AT THE STATION, WHERE YOU CAN EAT AS MUCH AS YOU WANT.
HAVE SOME PATIENCE, OKAY?
HMPH.. PATIENCE, YOU SAY...?
GRIN-
I KNOW YOU'RE ALSO STARVING TO DEATH EVEN AT THIS MOMENT.... STOP ACTING ALL COCKY.
BY THE WAY, THIS IS REALLY UNEXPECTED.
I NEVER IMAGINED YOU'D END UP HELPING ME OUT...

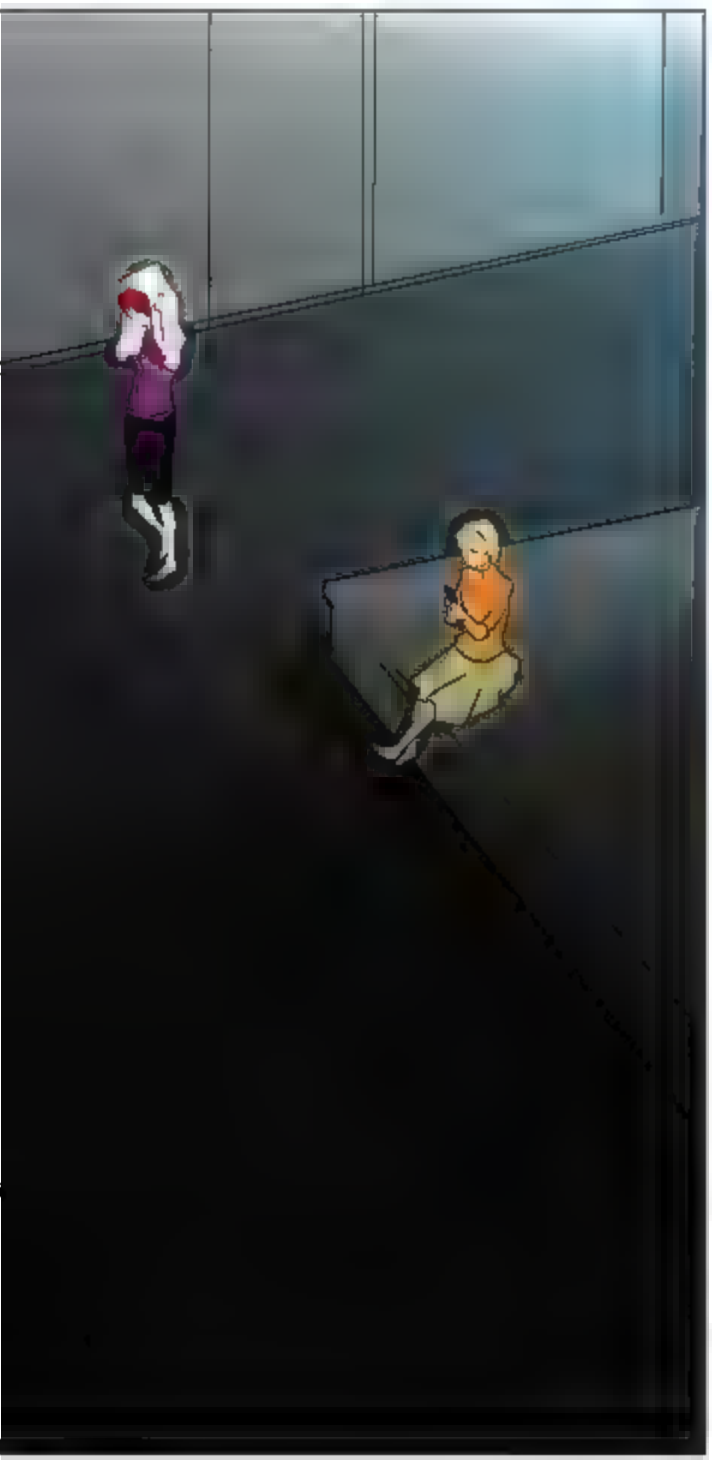
.....
EVEN BY INSCRIBING A TOKEN TO BE ONE OF MY KIND, AND BECOMING A BEING WHO SEEKS AFTER SOULS.

SSH-

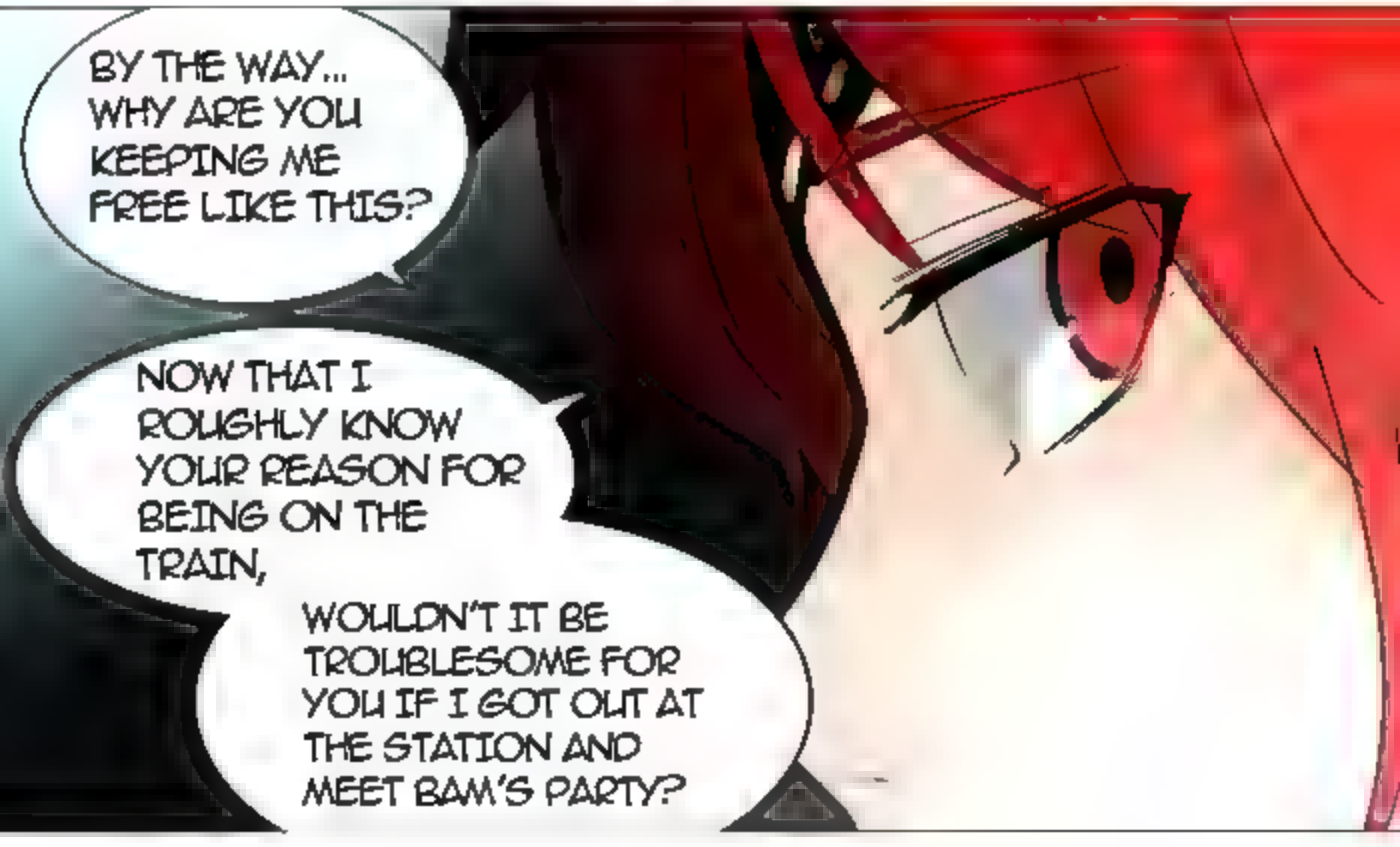
NOR DID I... IMAGINE THIS.
THAT DAY.... WHEN I WAS LOST IN THE TRAIN,
AND THOUGHT THAT EVERYTHING WAS OVER,
I NEVER EXPECTED YOU...

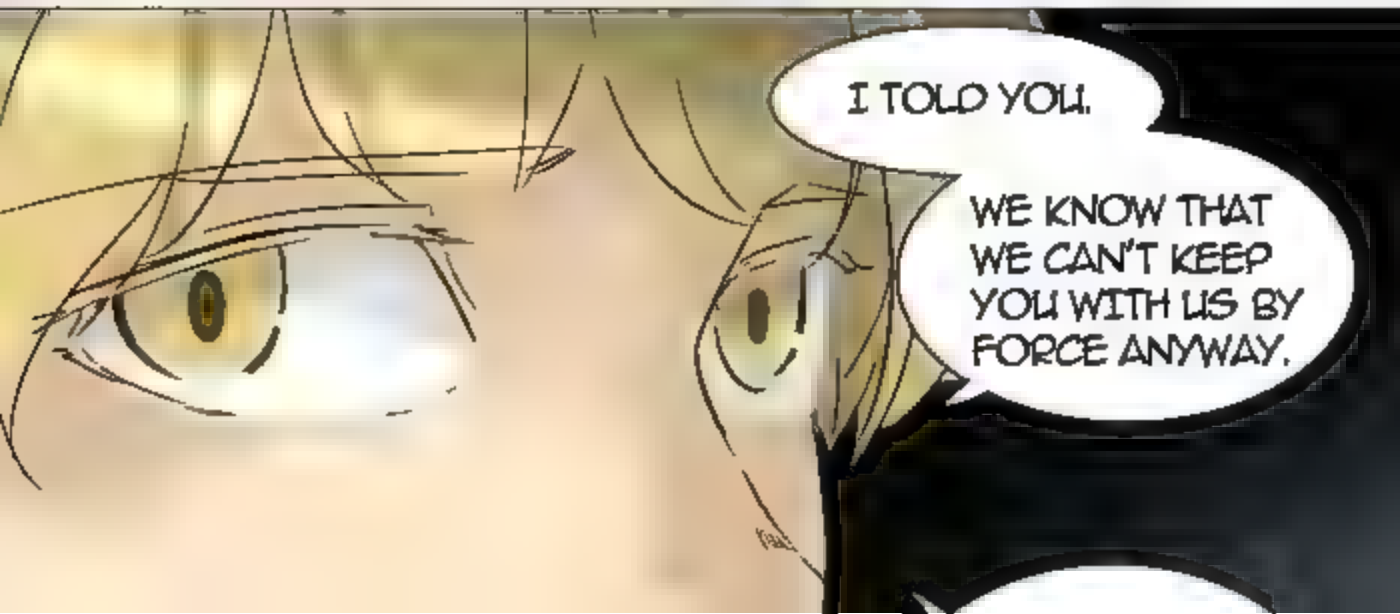
TO APPEAR
IN FRONT OF ME....





HOW DO YOU LIKE IT? DOES IT FIT YOU?
FLING
I GUESS.
A LITTLE SHORT, BUT IT'S OKAY.


BY THE WAY... WHY ARE YOU KEEPING ME FREE LIKE THIS?
NOW THAT I ROUGHLY KNOW YOUR REASON FOR BEING ON THE TRAIN,
WOULDN'T IT BE TROUBLESOME FOR YOU IF I GOT OUT AT THE STATION AND MEET BAM'S PARTY?


I TOLD YOU.
WE KNOW THAT WE CAN'T KEEP YOU WITH US BY FORCE ANYWAY.

THAT'S WHY.. WE'RE NOT KEEPING YOU LOCKED UP.
AND AS LONG AS WE HAVE EMILY,
YOU'RE NOT A THREAT TO US, EITHER.
THIS IS SO FUNNY. SEEING YOU BEING SO INCOMPETENT.
.....

DO YOU REALLY THINK...
THAT THING WILL HELP YOU WIN OVER... HOAQIN'S HEART?
WELL...
TRUTHFULLY.. AFTER PUSHING BAM THAT DAY...
I THOUGHT ABOUT WHY... I BECAME LIKE THIS...

WHAT DID I HATE ABOUT BAM SO MUCH, AND WHAT DID I WANT TO TAKE AWAY FROM HIM.
AND I CAME TO THINK IT WAS..
THE FRIENDS WHO WERE ALWAYS BY HIS SIDE...
I THINK I WAS ENVIOUS OF HIM FOR THAT.
ALTHOUGH I'M NOT GOOD ENOUGH... THIS DEVICE GIVES ME THE POWER TO BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER.

I DON'T CARE HOW I DO IT... AND I DON'T CARE IF IT'S NOT TRUE FRIENDSHIP.

AS LONG AS I CAN GATHER PEOPLE WHO I CAN RELY ON...

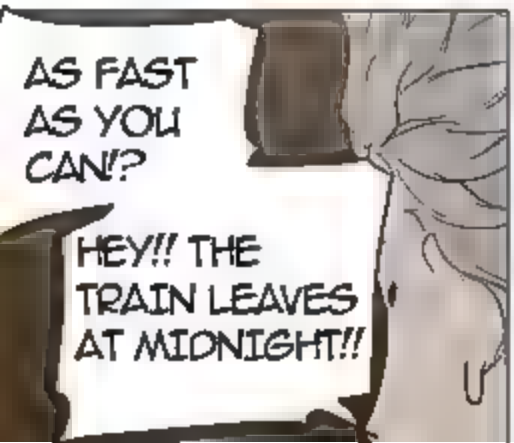
IT'S ALL GOOD EVEN IF IT'S A FAKE FRIENDSHIP

10:30 P.M.
RUMBLE
STATION
ON FLOOR 37
WOODEN HORSE

HEY, KHUN.
THE TRAIN WILL ARRIVE SOON.
WHERE THE HELL ARE YOU?

A-AH... SORRY!!
WE HAVEN'T TAKEN OFF YET!
ALL
WHAT?!

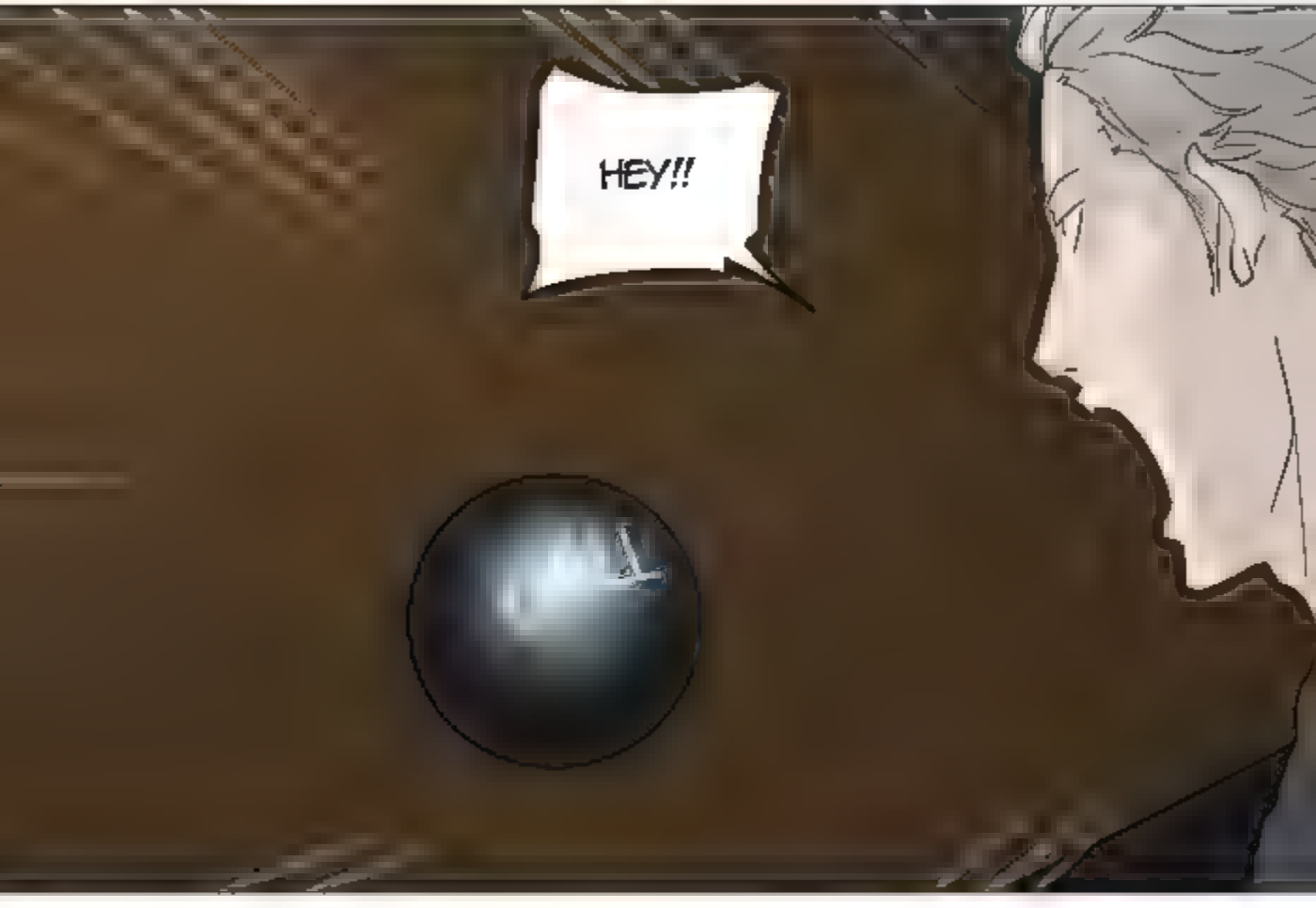
THANKS TO A TEACHER WHO ADORES HIS PUPIL SO DAMN MUCH!
WE STARTED OFF A LITTLE LATE! SO, WE'RE NOW GETTING ON THE FLOATING SHIP HEADING TO THE STATION!
TA DA DA DA
WE'LL HURRY AS FAST AS WE CAN!

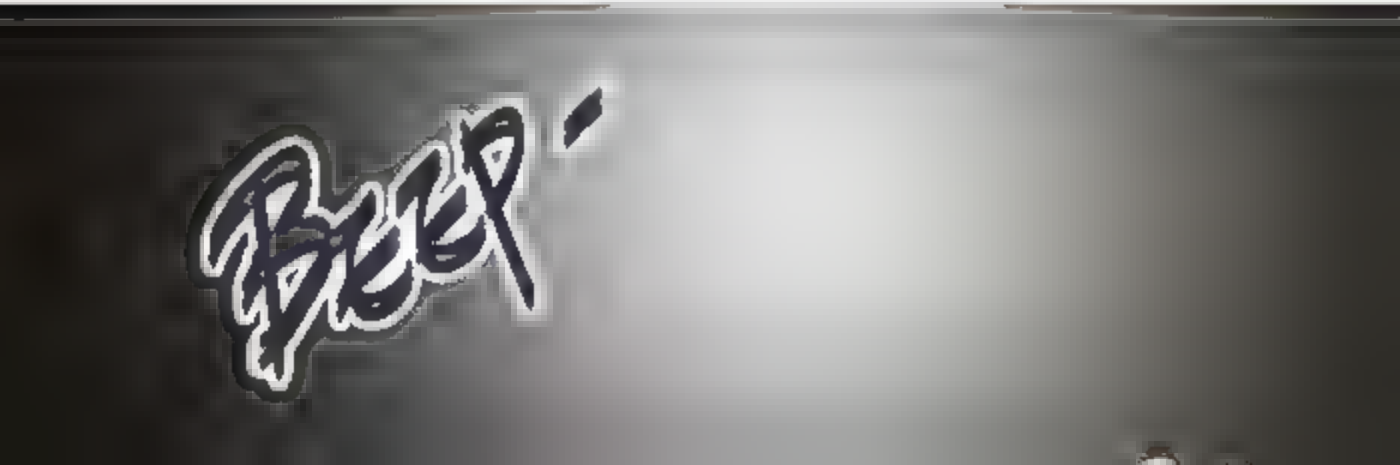

AS FAST AS YOU CAN!?
HEY!! THE TRAIN LEAVES AT MIDNIGHT!!

WE ALREADY KNEW WE WON'T MAKE IT ON TIME ANYWAY!

NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU RUSH YOURSELVES, YOU WILL NEVER MAKE IT ON TIME!!
I'LL DO WHAT-EVER I CAN TO MAKE US GET THERE!
TRUST US AND WAIT FOR A BIT LONGER EVEN IF IT TAKES SOME TIME!!

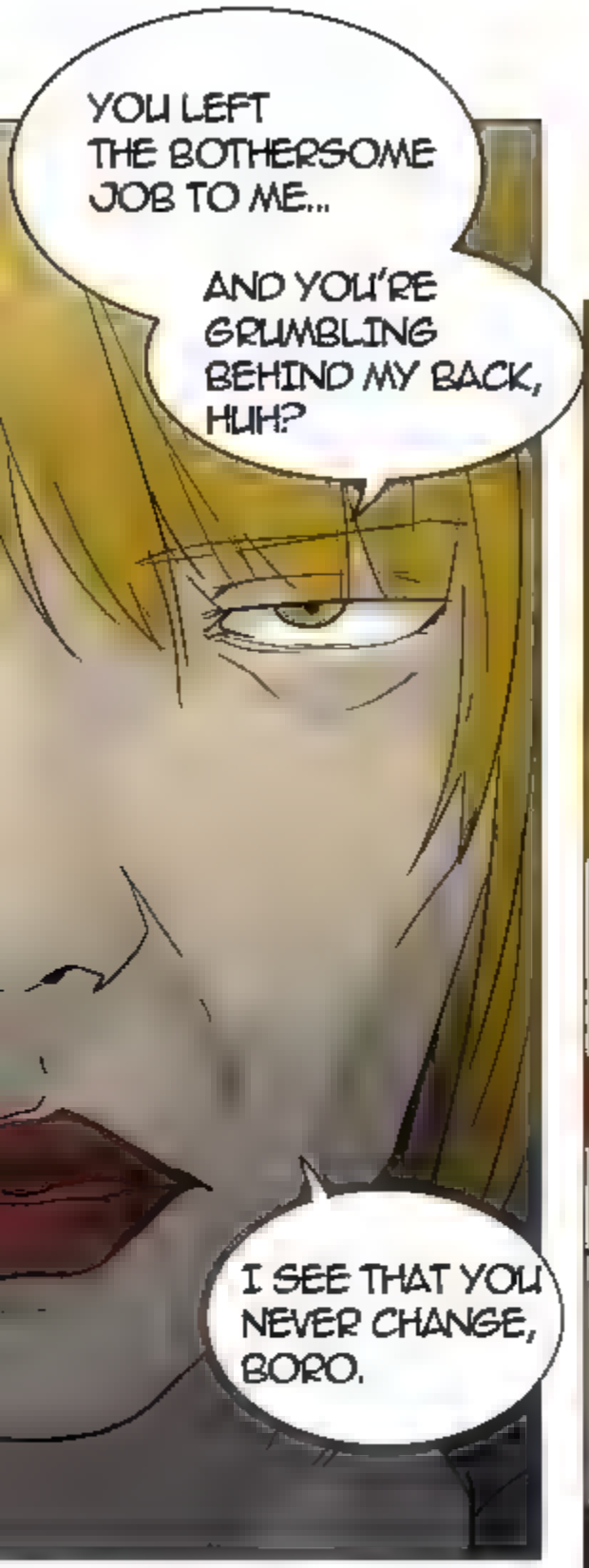
I'M HANGING UP NOW!
SEE YOU LATER!
HEY! HEY!! KHUN!


HEY!!


Beep

DAMN IT...
I GUESS IT WASN'T POSSIBLE...
FOR THE NEWBIES TO GET HERE ON TIME...
...SO, WILL THEY NOT BE ARRIVING ON TIME AFTER ALL?
I GUESS WE SHOULD GET MOVING FIRST..
PHEW...
I GUESS WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE.
AKA IS ALSO BEING LATE..
THE TRAIN WILL SOON ARRIVE, SO...

...I'M NOT LATE.
ZOOM-
AKA!


YOU LEFT THE BOTHERSOME JOB TO ME...
AND YOU'RE GRUMBLING BEHIND MY BACK, HUH?
I SEE THAT YOU NEVER CHANGE, BORO.

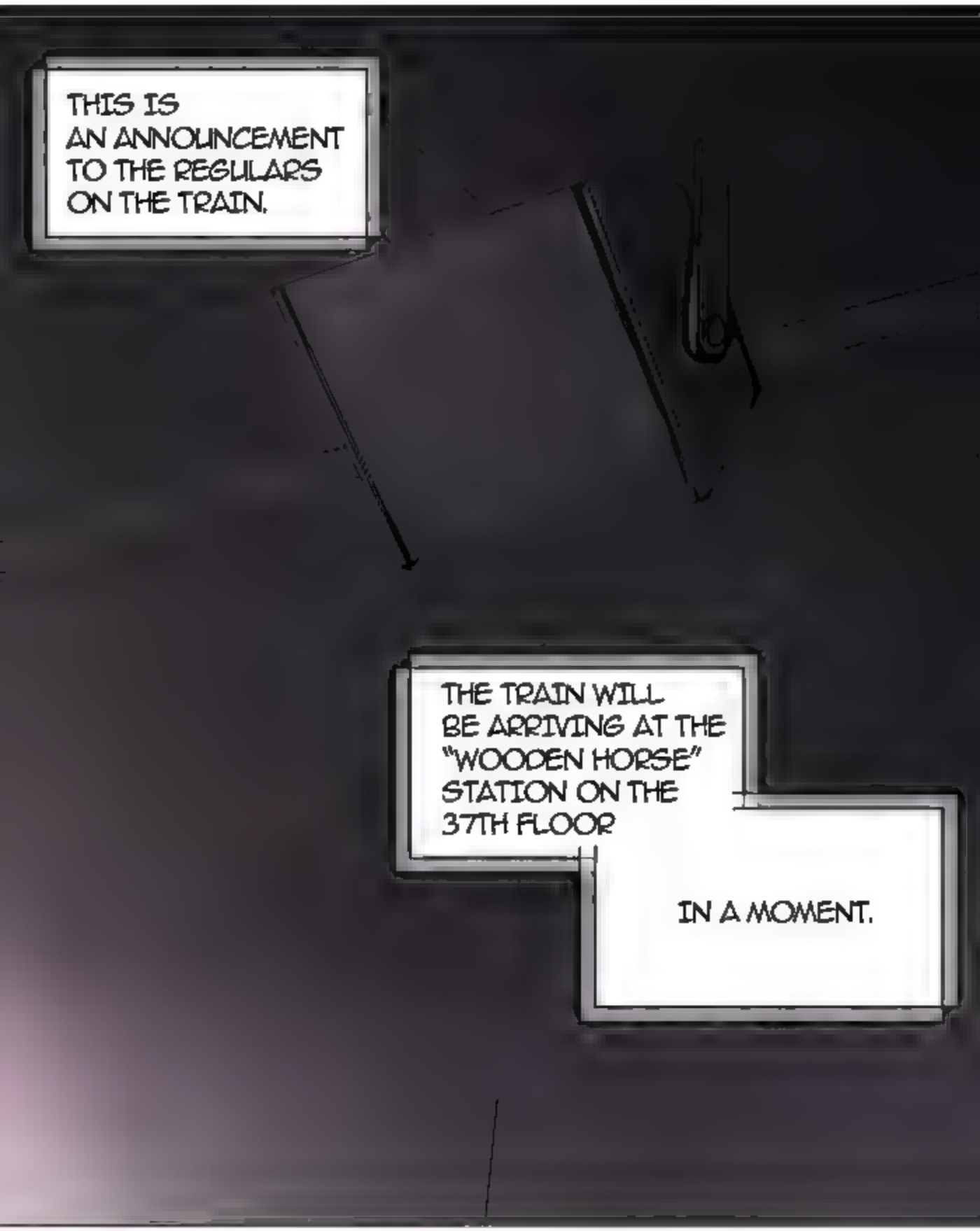
I AGREE, AKA..
WE CAME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT WE CAN'T BE WITH HIM BECAUSE OF HIS PERSONALITY.
STOMP
STOMP
.....!

ONLY IF YOU DID YOUR JOB PROPERLY, DANIEL WOULDN'T HAVE GONE THE WRONG WAY.
THIS VOICE...
IS IT..?
YOU BEING SO IRRESOLUTE MADE EVERYTHING TURN OUT TO BE LIKE THIS, BORO.
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME.
BORO.

SACHI!!
W..WHO... WHOAAA!!
WHAT?!
BY SACHI, YOU MEAN!!
SACHI FAKER?!
I CAME AFTER HEARING EVERYTHING FROM AKA.
ONE OF THE STRONGEST THREE AMONGST THE D-CLASS REGULARS IS HERE?!
SACHI-
I NEVER THOUGHT I'D GET ON THE TRAIN WITH YOU GUYS AGAIN AFTER THAT DAY...
YOU CAME..

HOAQIN...
DUN
DUN
IS IT TRUE THAT DEMON MAY BE AWOKEN AGAIN?

CLANK
CLANK
CLANK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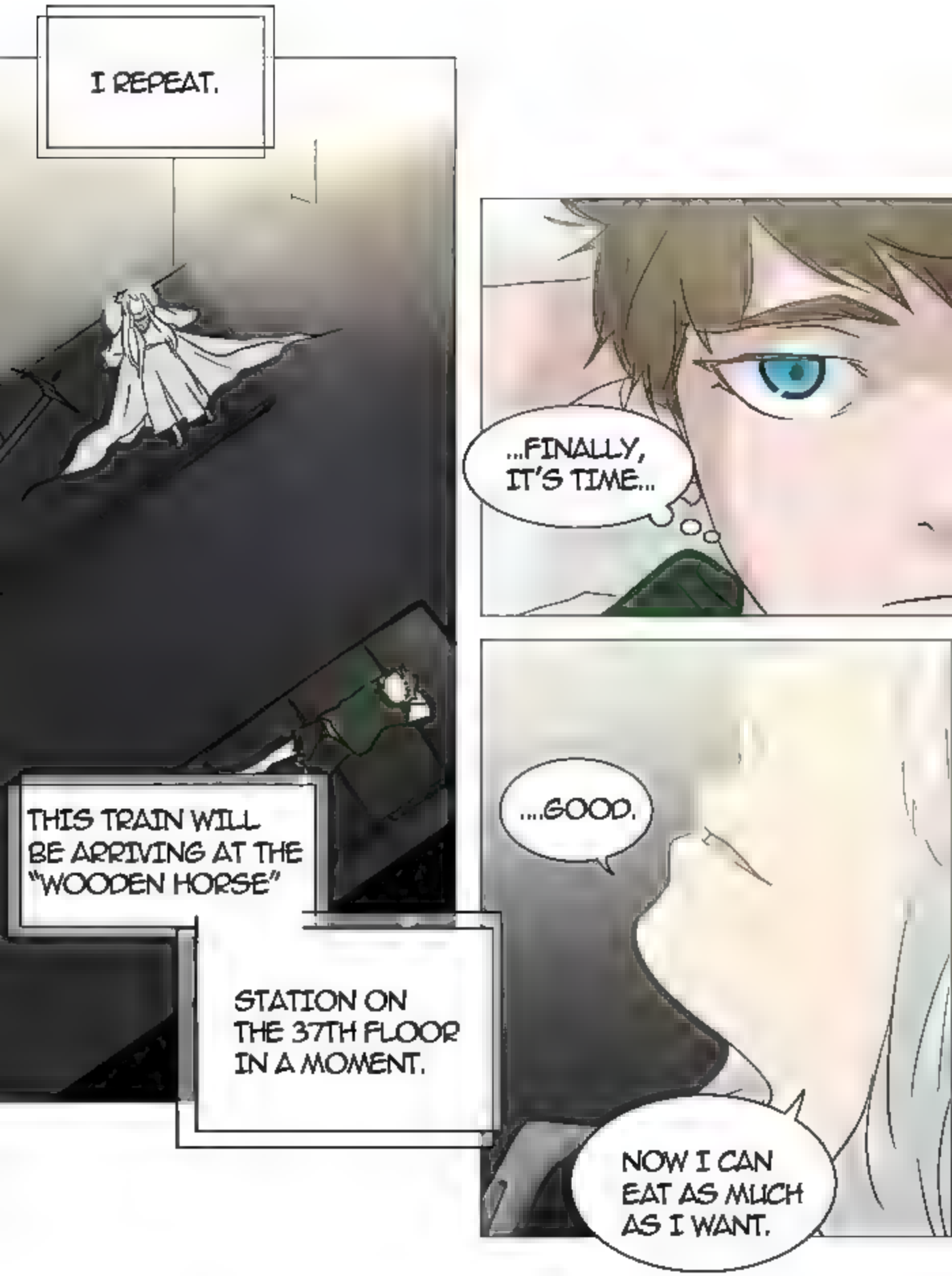
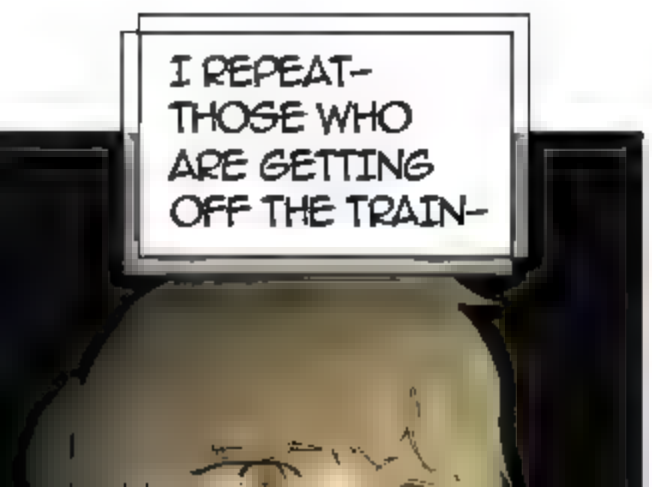

I REPEAT.
THIS TRAIN WILL BE ARRIVING AT THE "WOODEN HORSE" STATION ON THE 37TH FLOOR IN A MOMENT.
...FINALLY, IT'S TIME...
...GOOD.
NOW I CAN EAT AS MUCH AS I WANT.

THOSE WHO ARE GETTING OFF THE TRAIN,
OH- WE'RE FINALLY HERE!
PLEASE BE PREPARED TO EXIT.


I REPEAT- THOSE WHO ARE GETTING OFF THE TRAIN-

'CAUSE I'M NOT

UNLESS I STEP OVER SOMEONE ELSE,

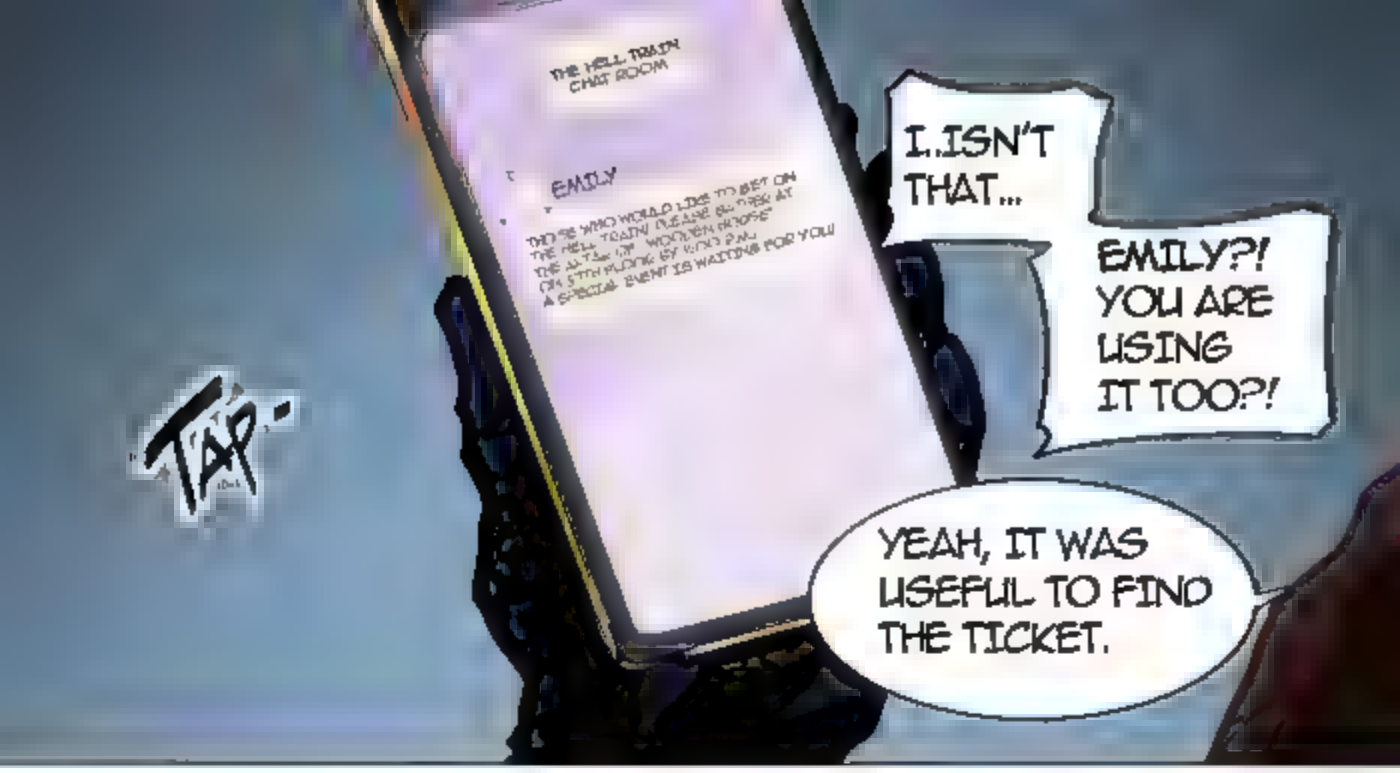
THERE'S NO ONE WHO WOULD REACH OUT A HAND FOR ME.

SO, DANIEL..
WENT TO FIND HOAQIN...

I SEE...
HE SAID THAT HE'D BRING ROEN BACK TO LIFE, HUH...?

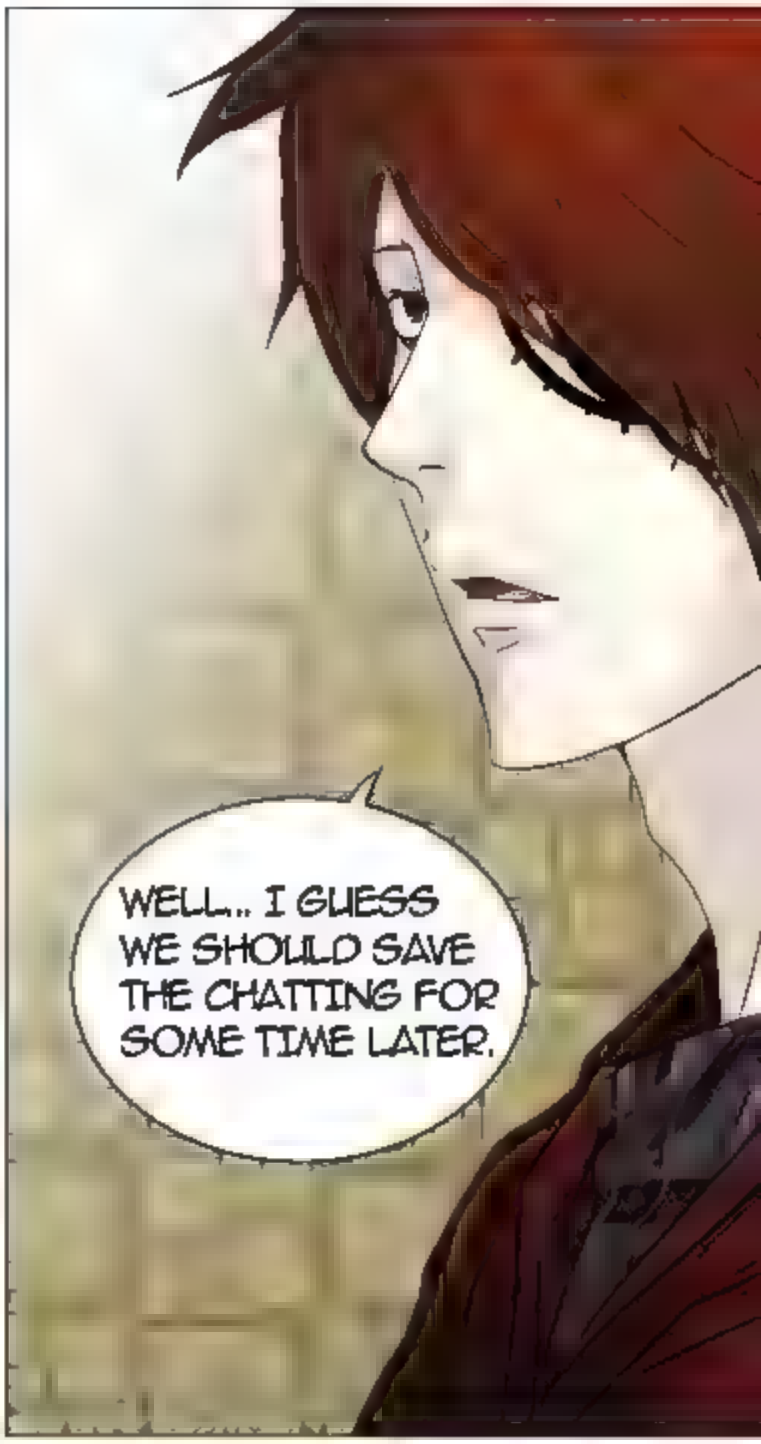
DANIEL, THAT KID..
I WAS WONDERING WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED TO MAKE AKA COME AND LOOK FOR ME ALL OF A SUDDEN, BUT...
NOW I GET THE IDEA OF WHAT'S GOING ON...

IT'S A GOOD THING THAT I HAPPENED TO BE AROUND HERE THANKS TO THIS "EMILY".


TAP
THE HELL TRAIN CHAT ROOM
EMILY
I..ISN'T THAT...
EMILY?! YOU ARE USING IT TOO?!
YEAH, IT WAS USEFUL TO FIND THE TICKET.

WHAT'S THAT MESSAGE?!
THIS MESSAGE WAS SENT THIS MORNING.
FOR A FEW DAYS, SIMILAR MESSAGES WERE SENT.
EMILY
THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO GET ON THE HELL TRAIN! PLEASE GATHER AT THE ALTAR 5 OF "WOODEN HORSE" ON 37TH FLOOR BY 11:00 P.M.! A SPECIAL EVENT IS WAITING FOR YOU!
FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS?! DAMN IT, WHAT ARE THEY UP TO THIS TIME...?!
.....WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
YOU SEE! THIS DEVICE CALLED EMILY IS, IN FACT...!

THUMP
!!


WELL... I GUESS WE SHOULD SAVE THE CHATTING FOR SOME TIME LATER.

THE TRAIN...
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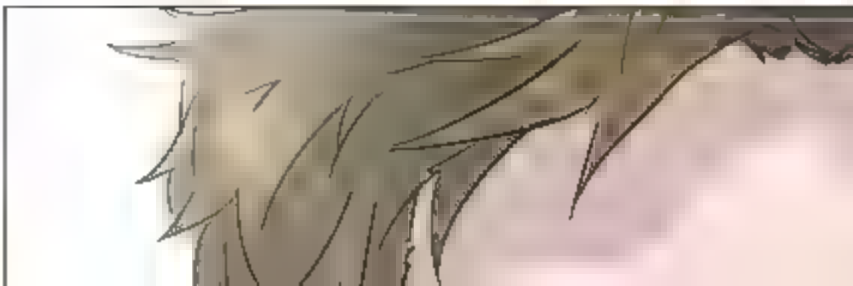
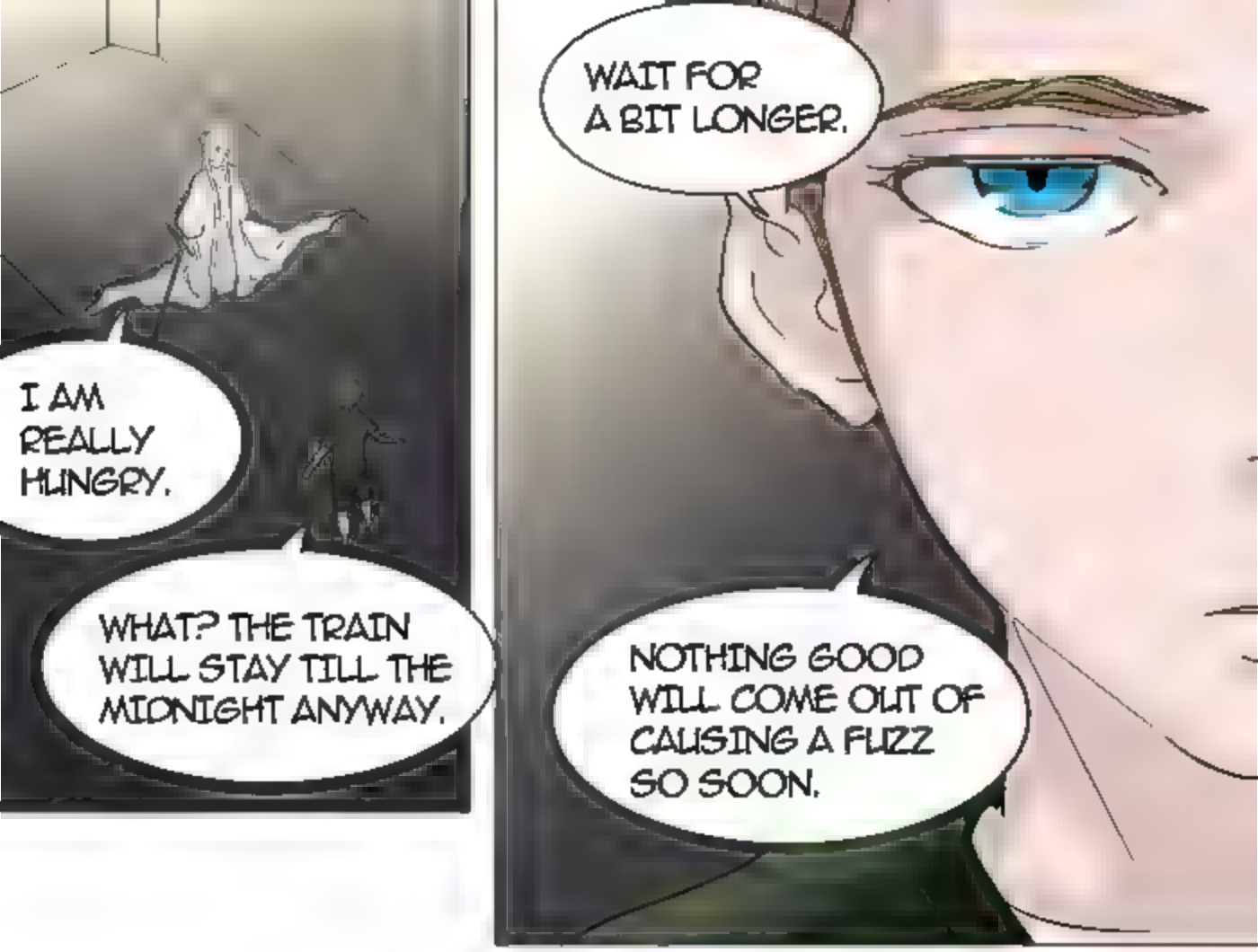
HAS ARRIVED.
CLANK

DAMN IT...
IT'S ALREADY HERE...

FINALLY.
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE, DANIEL.

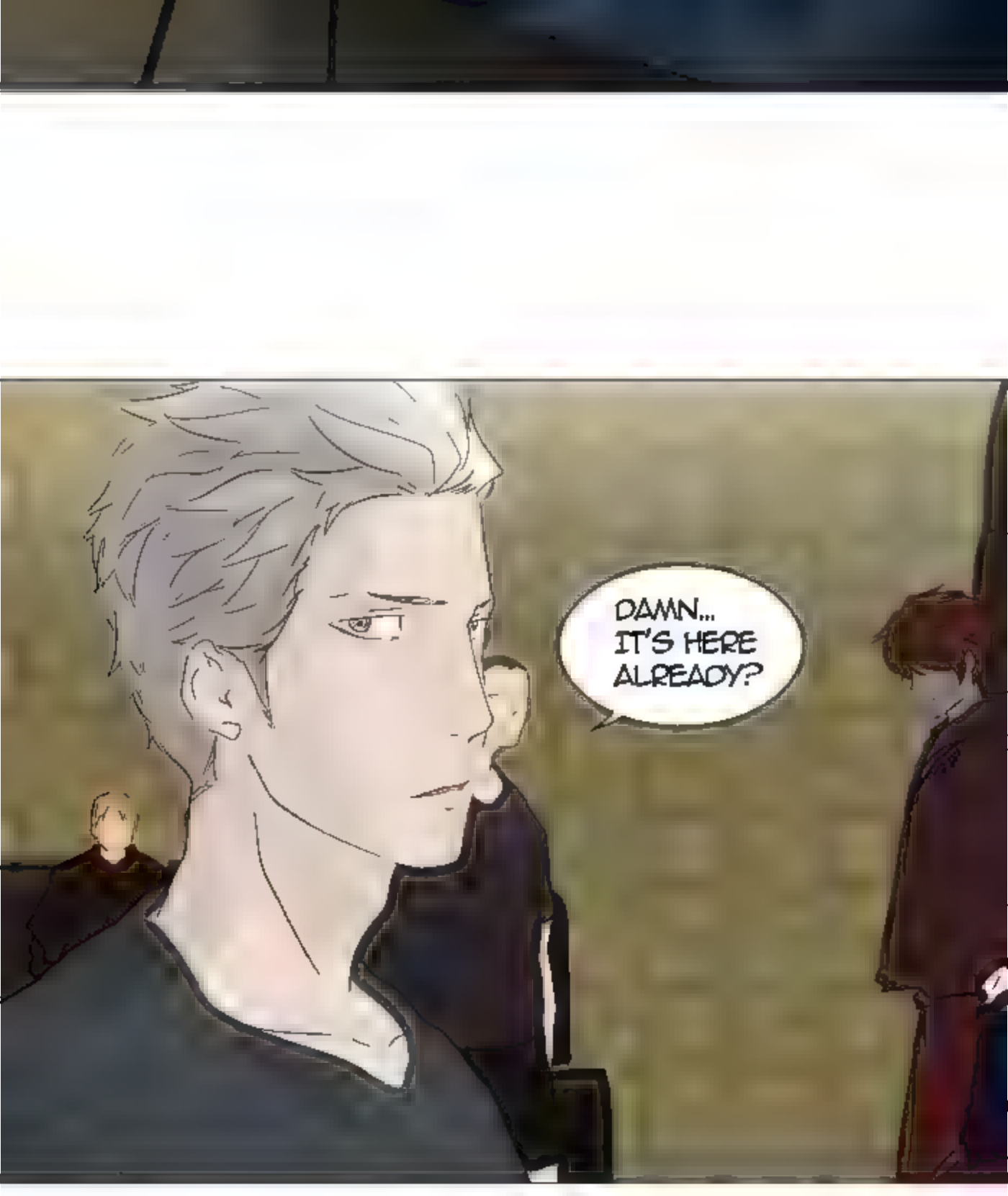



I AM REALLY HUNGRY.
WHAT? THE TRAIN WILL STAY TILL THE MIDNIGHT ANYWAY.
WAIT FOR A BIT LONGER.
NOTHING GOOD WILL COME OUT OF CAUSING A FUZZ SO SOON.

NO.

LINE Webtoon

CLANK
CLANK
CLANK


DAMN...
IT'S HERE
ALREADY?

FINALLY.
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE, DANIEL.
I AM STARVING.
WHAT? THE TRAIN WILL STAY HERE TILL THE MIDNIGHT ANYWAY.

WAIT FOR A BIT.
NOTHING GOOD WILL COME OUT OF CAUSING A FUSS SO SOON.

NO.
CAN'T YOU HEAR IT?
THE FRESH BREATHING SOUNDS OF PREY WHO ARE AWAITING FOR ME?

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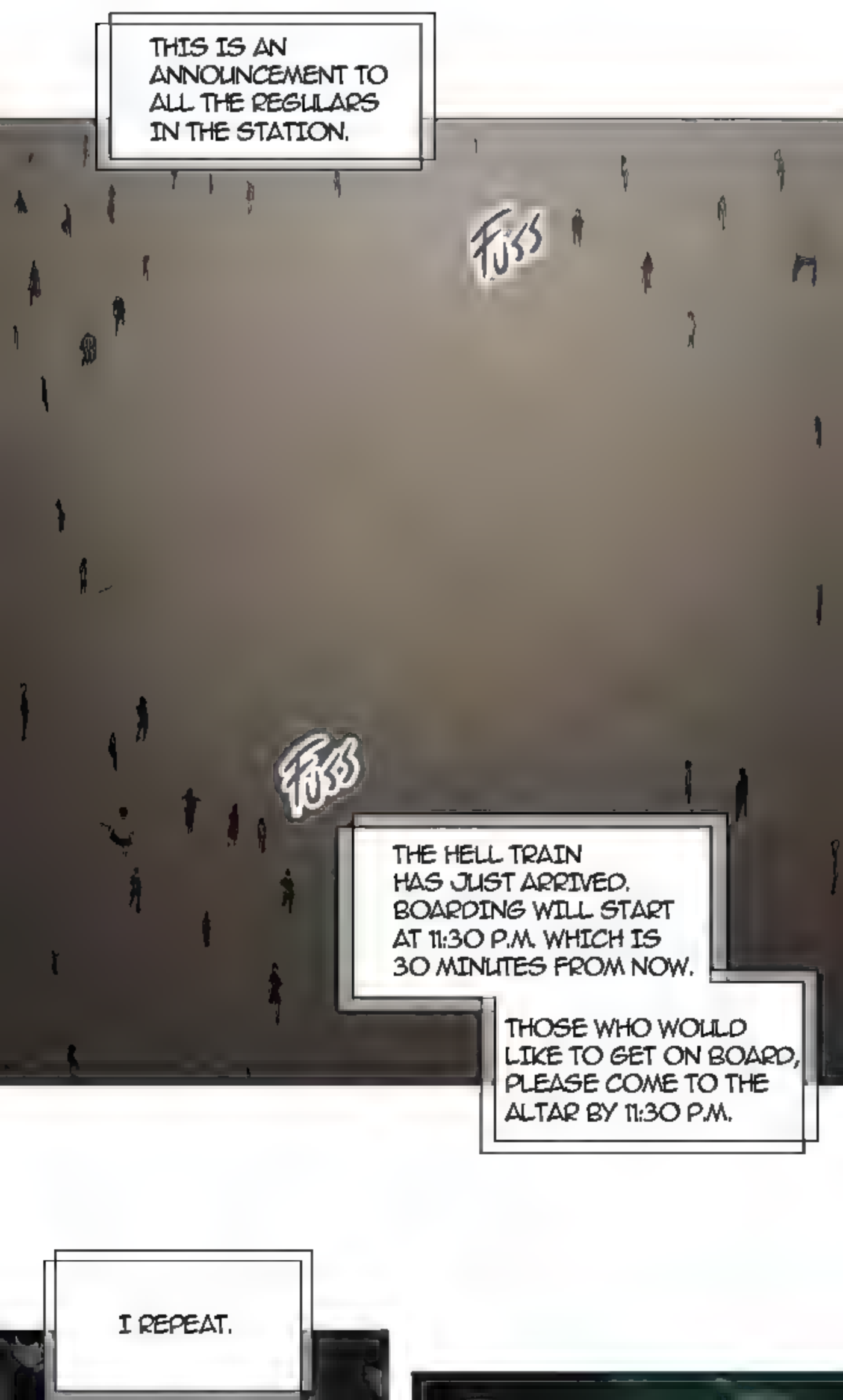
FLOOR 37
STATION
ALTAR, WHERE THE STAIRS OF THE TRAIN COMES DOWN TO.


THIS IS AN ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL THE REGULARS IN THE STATION.
FUSS
FUSS
THE HELL TRAIN HAS JUST ARRIVED. BOARDING WILL START AT 11:30 P.M. WHICH IS 30 MINUTES FROM NOW.
THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO GET ON BOARD, PLEASE COME TO THE ALTAR BY 11:30 P.M.
I REPEAT.

ARE YOU ALSO HERE BECAUSE YOU GOT EMILY'S MESSAGE?
YOU, TOO?
BUT I HEARD THERE ARE SOME DANGEROUS GUYS ON THE HELL TRAIN.
BUT IT'S EMILY'S MESSAGE.
HONESTLY, I RELY ON EMILY FOR EVERYTHING THESE DAYS.
.....
I AM LIKE THAT AS WELL...
THE HELL TRAIN HAS JUST ARRIVED.
THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO GET ON BOARD, PLEASE COME TO...
Hawk

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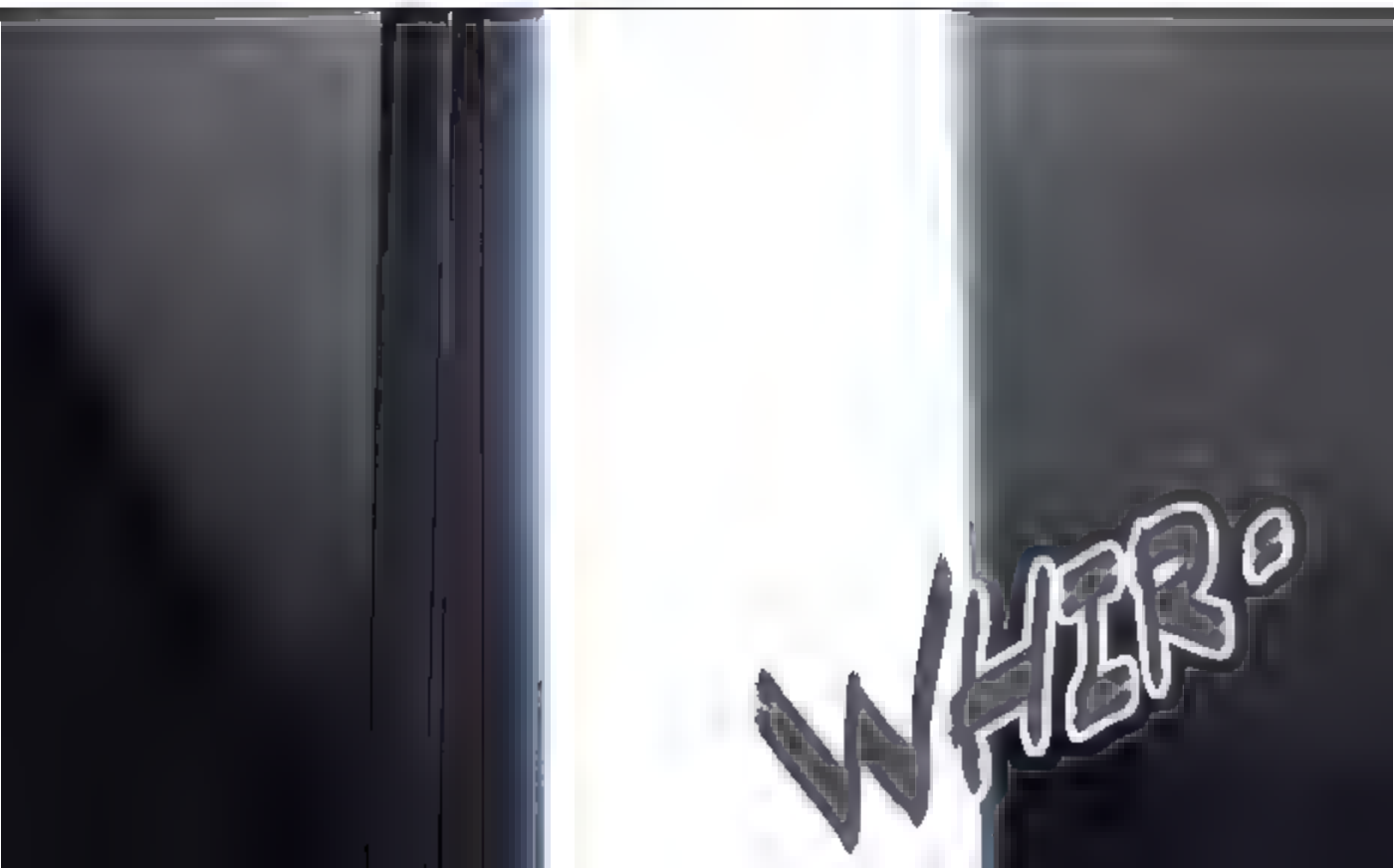
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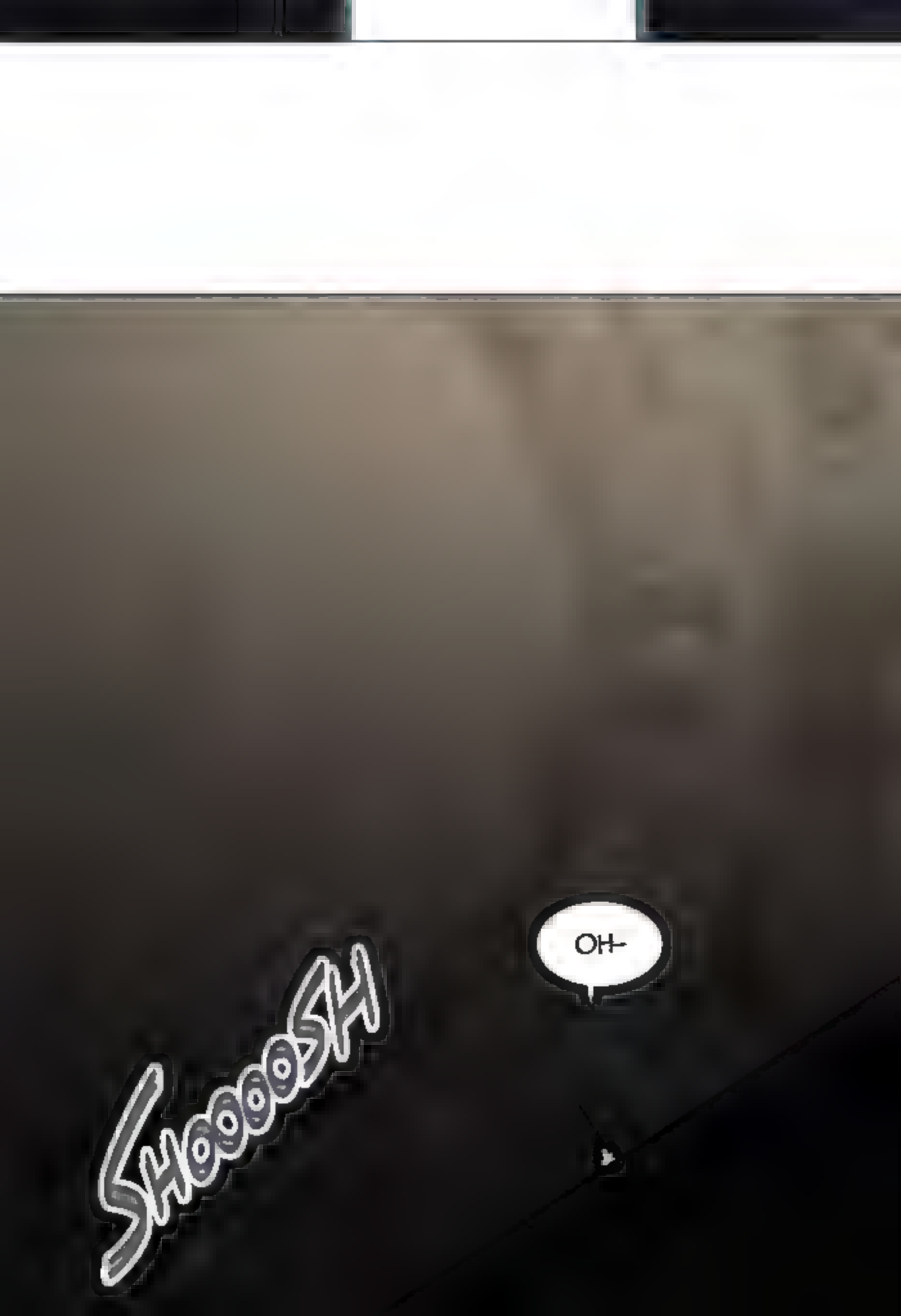
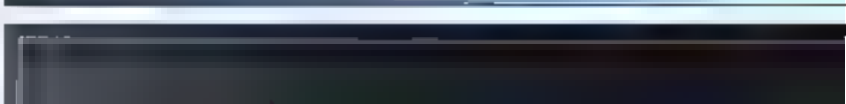

SHOOOOSH
OH-

WHOOSH!

STEP



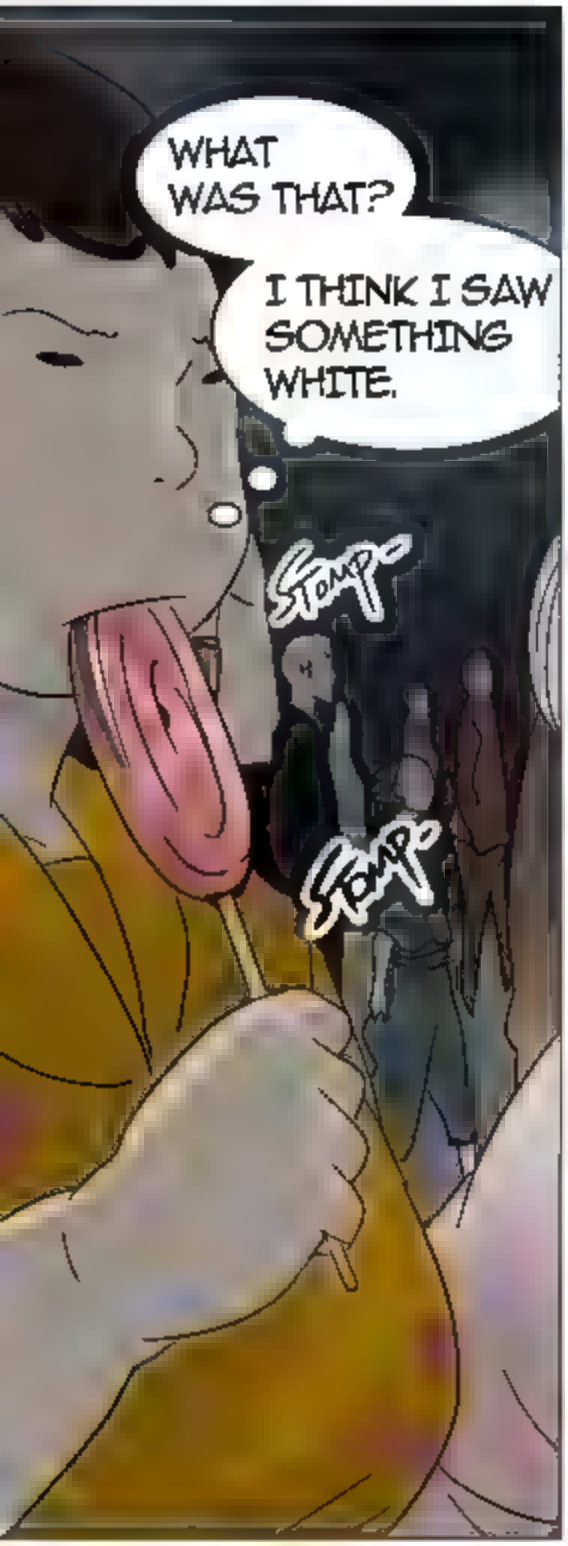
IT HAS BEEN LONG SINCE I FELT THE FRESH AIR.
HEY! HOAQIN!!
WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?!
GRAB!
?

COME BACK!! GET BACK IN HERE!
ARGH!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING, DANIEL?!
I WANT TO GET OUT!

YOU... DID YOU ALREADY FORGET?
THE CONTRACT IS VALID ONLY INSIDE THE TRAIN.
IF YOU LEAVE FROM THE TRAIN...
WE ARE DONE FOR.
.....!
THE CONTRACT YOU MADE WITH THE ADMINISTRATOR...!
YOU CAN'T GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE YOU BECOME THE COMPLETE ONE.

SO, GET YOUR ASS BACK IN!
ARGH!!

WHAT?!
WHY DID THE DOOR CLOSE?!
NOBODY IS GETTING OUT?
WHAT ABOUT THE EVENT THAT EMILY WAS TALKING ABOUT?

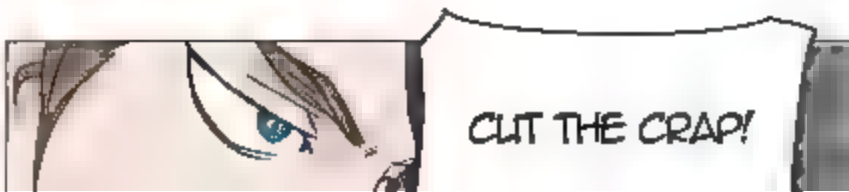

WHAT WAS THAT?
I THINK I SAW SOMETHING WHITE.
Stomp
Stomp

...
I THINK IT'S HIM.

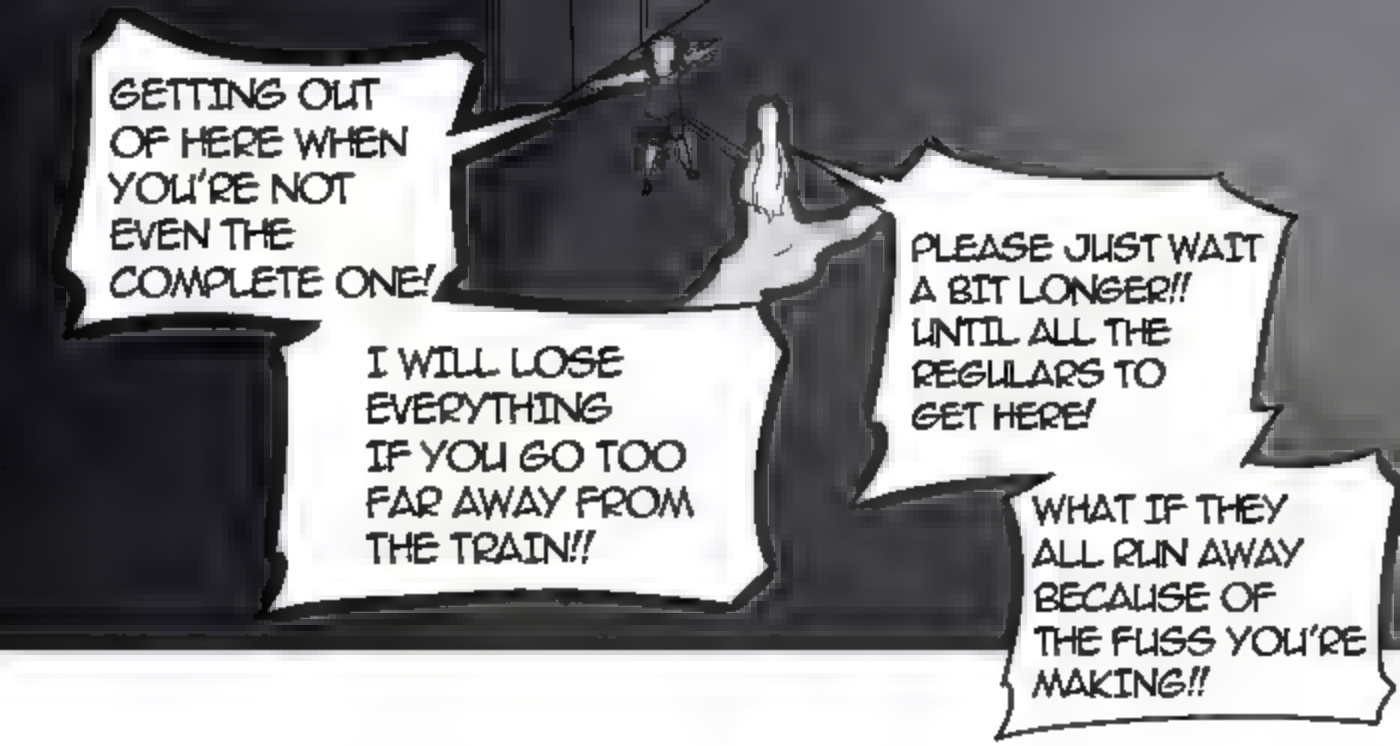
WE'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM WHEN HE SHOWS HIMSELF AGAIN.

DO YOU EVEN HAVE A BRAIN?
YOU CAN'T JUST GET OUT OF HERE AS YOU PLEASE!
HMPH. WHY DO I NEED YOUR PERMISSION TO GET OUT?
BECAUSE! YOU'RE BOUND TO THE TRAIN WITH THE CONTRACT!

SO, WHAT?! I'M SO DAMN HUNGRY RIGHT NOW!


CUT THE CRAP!

YOU DO REMEMBER OUR PROMISE, RIGHT?
THAT I WILL MAKE YOU INTO A COMPLETE ONE, AND GET YOU OUT OF THE TRAIN!
MOVE ASIDE! I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE AND FEED MYSELF!
AND I WILL BRING ROEN BACK TO LIFE WITH THAT POWER.
OF COURSE I REMEMBER.
THEN, WHY THE HELL ARE YOU DOING THIS?


GETTING OUT OF HERE WHEN YOU'RE NOT EVEN THE COMPLETE ONE!
I WILL LOSE EVERYTHING IF YOU GO TOO FAR AWAY FROM THE TRAIN!!
PLEASE JUST WAIT A BIT LONGER!! UNTIL ALL THE REGULARS TO GET HERE!
WHAT IF THEY ALL RUN AWAY BECAUSE OF THE FUSS YOU'RE MAKING!!

I DON'T THINK YOU NEED TO WORRY ABOUT THAT PART, DANIEL.
.....?

...RACHEL?
STOMP-
STOMP-

MOST OF THE REGULARS
SHOULD ALREADY BE GATHERED AT THE ALTAR TO PARTICIPATE IN A SPECIAL EVENT

BECAUSE I USED EMILY,
AND SENT THEM THIS MESSAGE.
THE HELL TRAIN CHAT ROOM
EMILY
THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO GET ON THE HELL TRAIN! PLEASE GATHER AT THE ALTAR OF "WOODEN HORSE" ON 37TH FLOOR BY "00 PM.' A SPECIAL EVENT IS WAITING FOR YOU!
IF WE DON'T GET OUT NOW, THEY'LL JUST GET SUSPICIOUS.

OH..
THAT INTERESTING DEVICE...

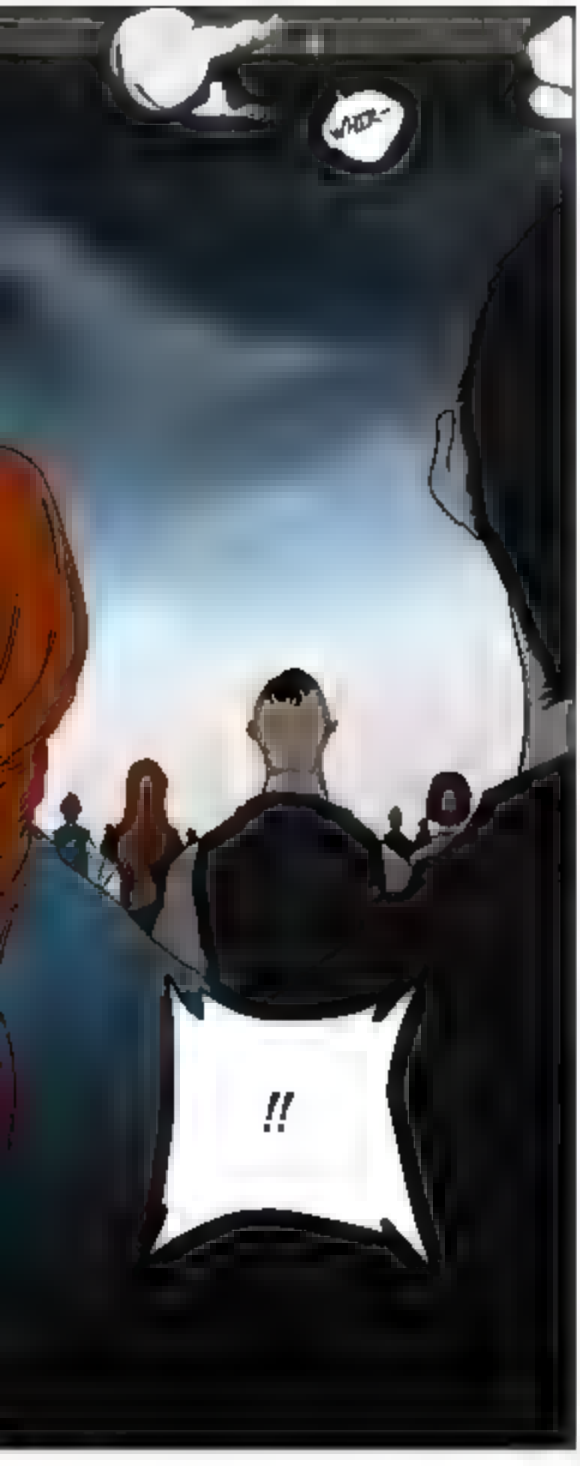
IS EVERYTHING GOOD NOW, DANIEL?
THEY WILL ONLY GET SUSPICIOUS AND RUN AWAY IF WE MAKE THEM WAIT ANY LONGER.

I GUESS I WAS RIGHT ALL ALONG!
....OOF.!

THEN, HERE I GO.
WHOOSH
GET CHANGED, AND FOLLOW ME.
AND IF YOU TRY TO STOP ME AGAIN, I'LL CUT OFF YOUR HEAD, DANIEL.

.....

THUD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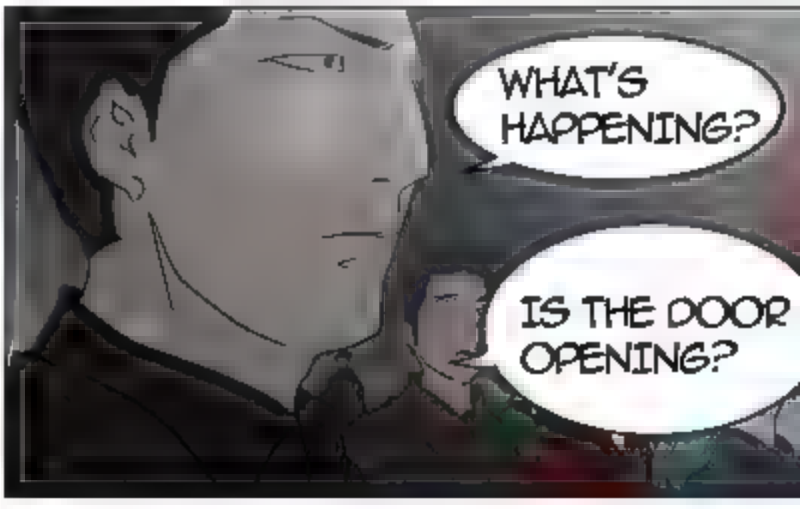

WHAT'S HAPPENING?
IS THE DOOR OPENING?

A FOOT..!
SNEAK

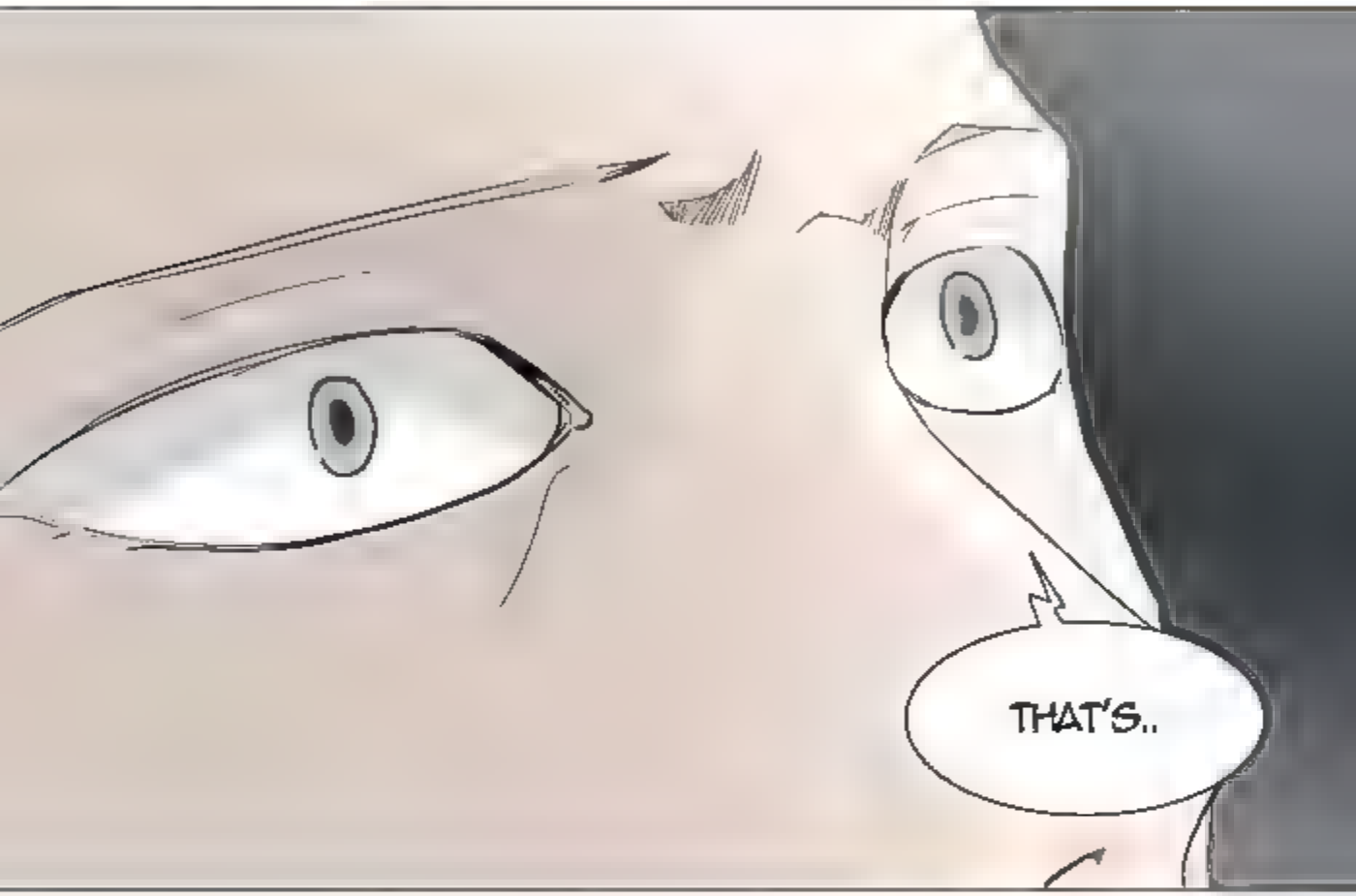
SOMEBODY'S COMING OUT!!

STOMP-
STOMP-
HELLO,
YOU CUTE LITTLE D-CLASS REGULARS?
STOMP

STOMP

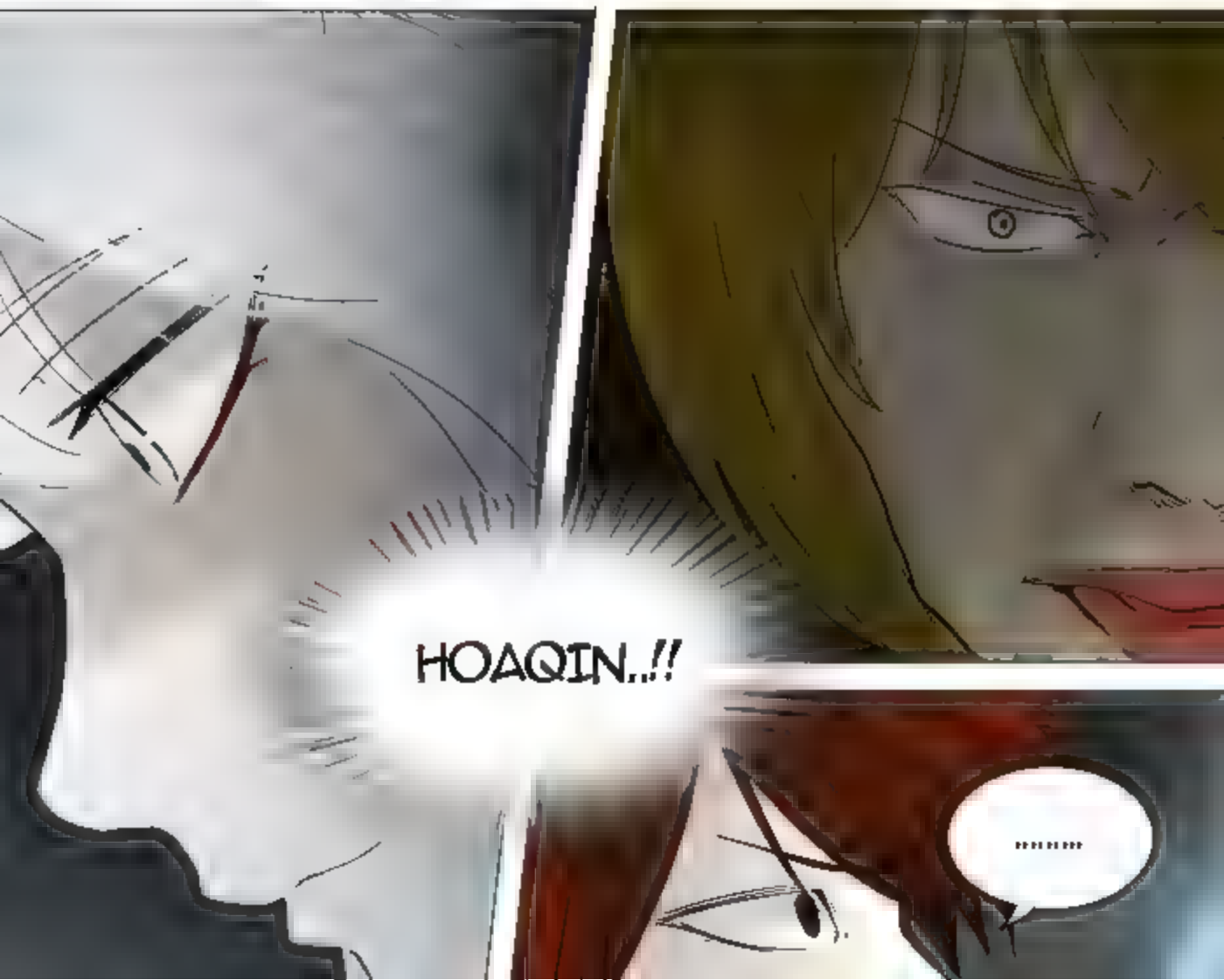
KATA KATA

!!

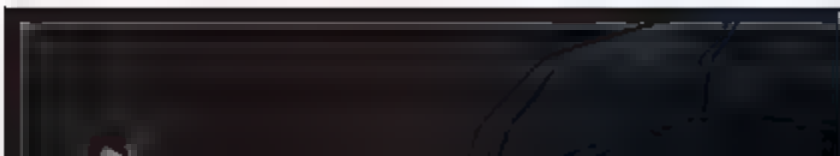

THAT'S..

STOMP

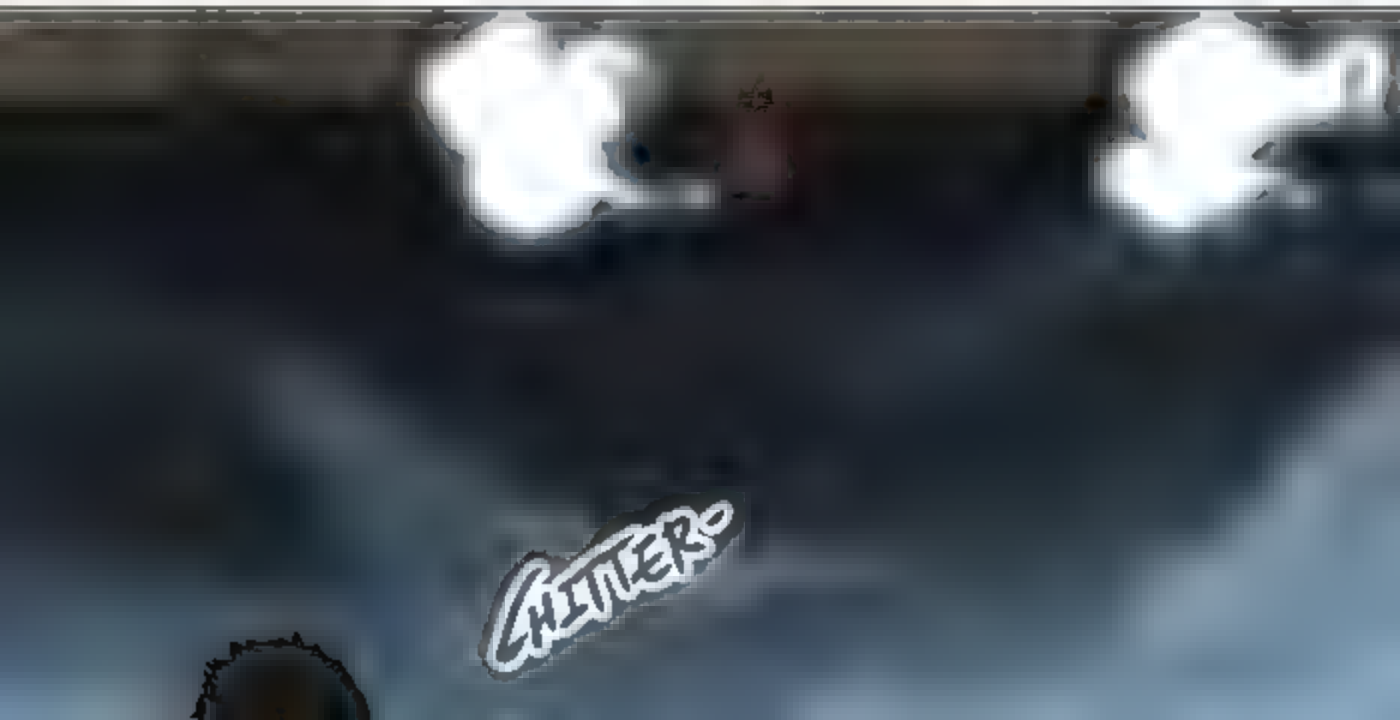
STOMP-


HOAQIN..!!
.....

HE'S AWAKE..?!



CONDUCTOR'S COMPARTMENT
TADADA
CONDUCTOR!
CONDUCTOR! THE DOOR HAS OPENED!
CODE NAME HOAQIN..!
I THINK HE'S TRYING TO GET OUT!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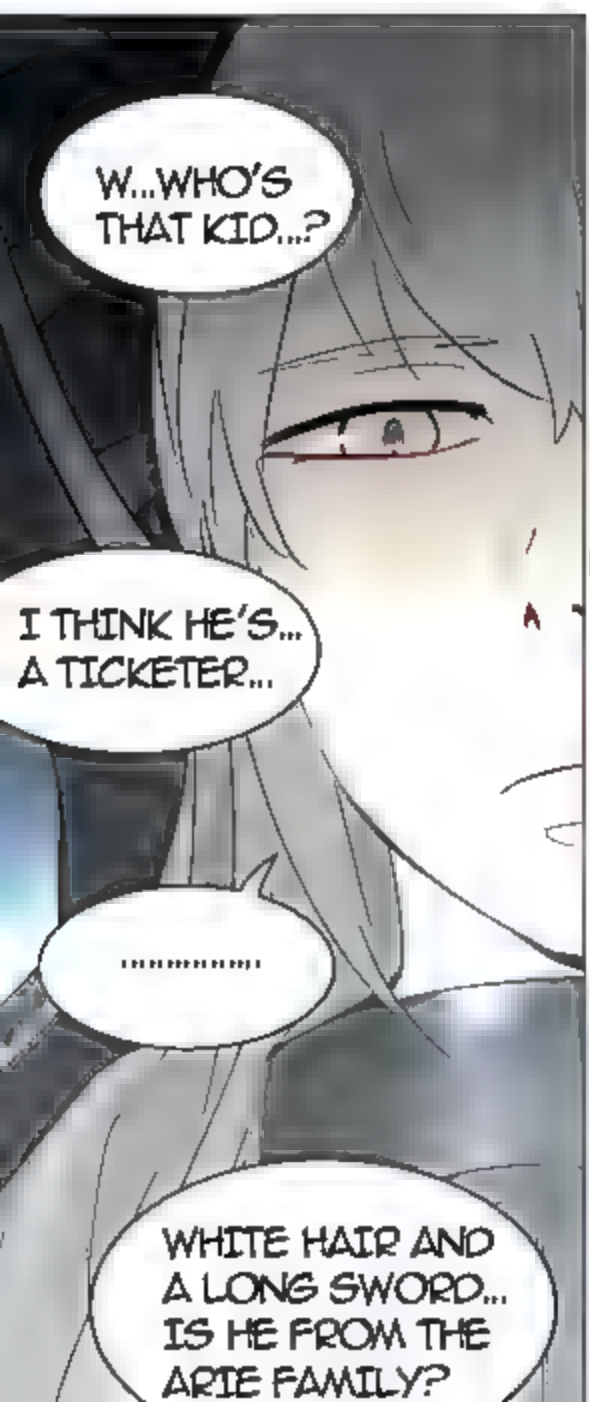
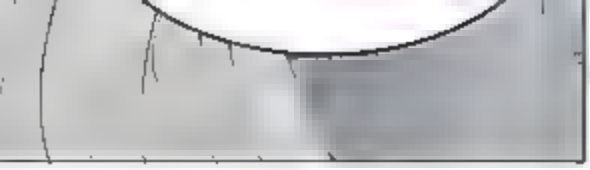
CHATTER-


W...WHO'S THAT KID...?
I THINK HE'S... A TICKETER...
.....!
WHITE HAIR AND A LONG SWORD... IS HE FROM THE ARIE FAMILY?

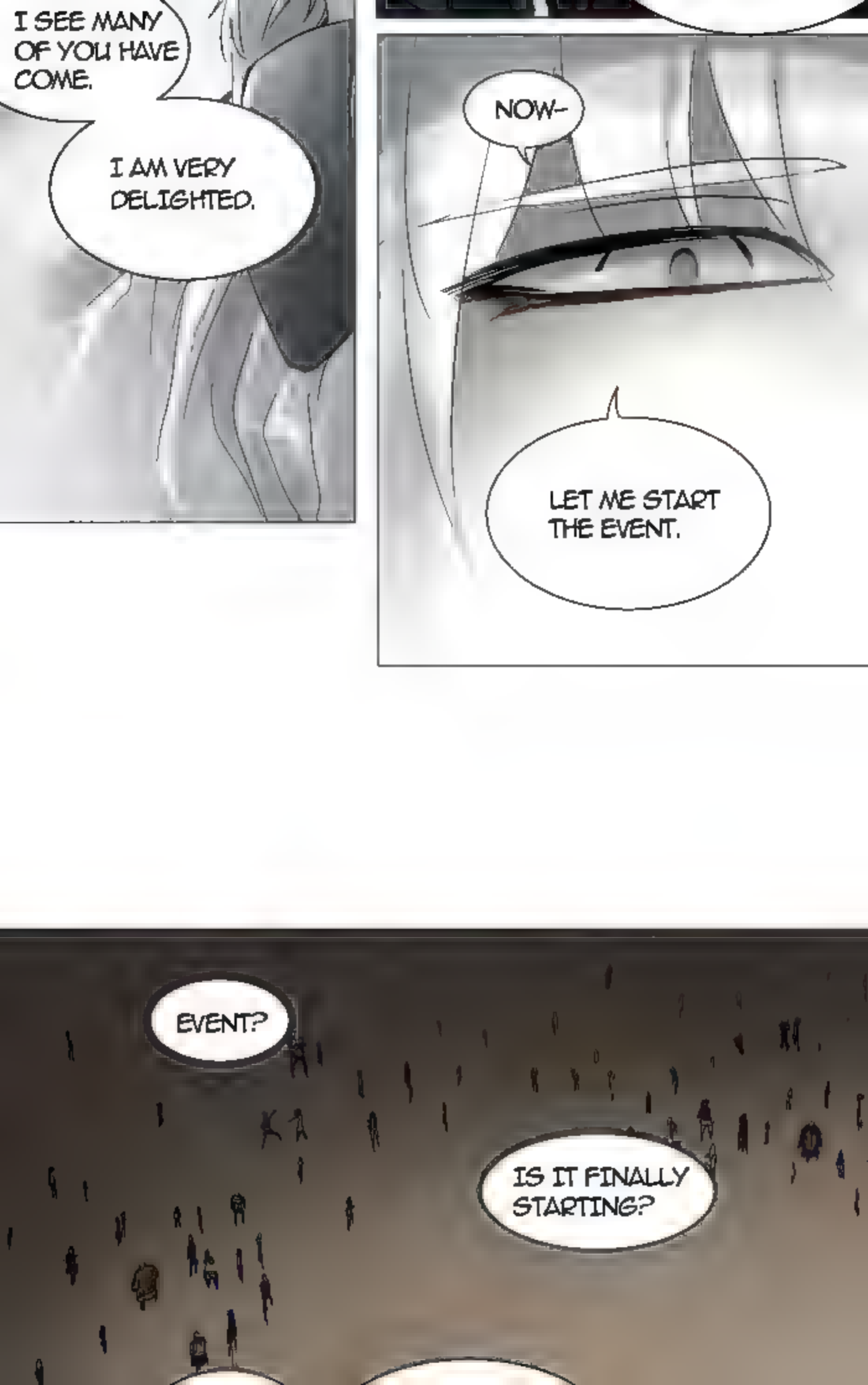
WHOA! IT'S YURA HA!
YURA HA WAS ON THE TRAIN!
IS SHE RELATED TO THE EVENT EMILY WAS TALKING ABOUT?!



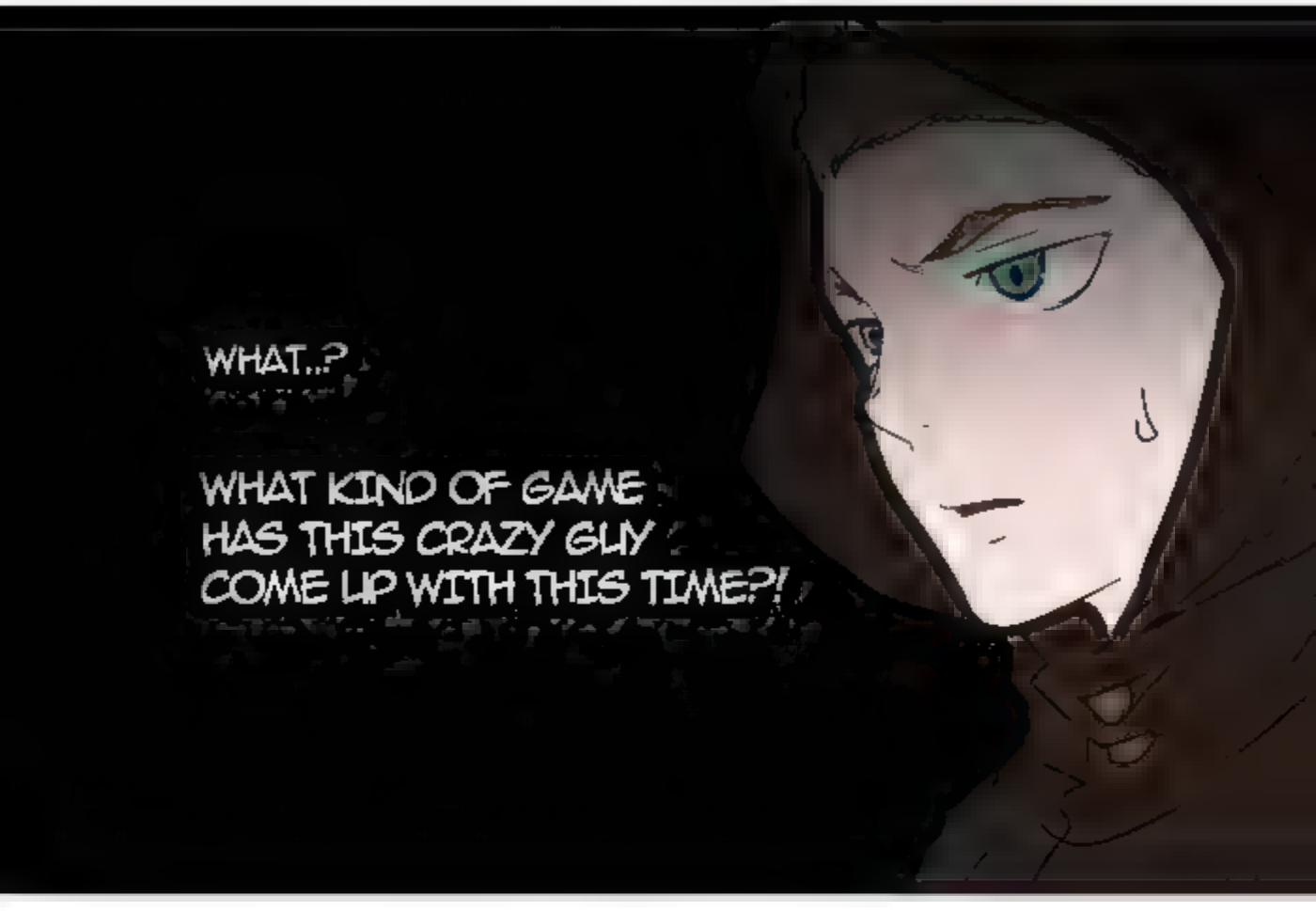
*ARIE FAMILY: ONE OF THE TEN FAMILIES.
THE FAMILY IS KNOWN TO HAVE
WHITE HAIR, AND USE SWORDS.
ONE OF THE STRONGEST FAMILIES
EVEN AMONGST THE TEN FAMILIES .

I THINK I'M SURE THAT'S HOAQIN, BUT...
.....
WAS HE... THAT SMALL?!

ALL OF YOU GATHERED HERE ARE TRULY BLESSED.
WHAT THE HELL IS HE SAYING?
NO IDEA..
SINCE YOU'RE ALL QUALIFIED TO BE MY GLORIOUS FIRST MEAL.


I SEE MANY OF YOU HAVE COME.
I AM VERY DELIGHTED.
NOW-
LET ME START THE EVENT.
EVENT?
IS IT FINALLY STARTING?

IS THAT KID THE HOST?
IN 30 MINUTES, STAIRS TO THE TRAIN WILL BE CREATED.
I WILL ALLOW YOU TO GET ON THE TRAIN IF YOU CUT OFF FOUR OTHER REGULAR HEADS.
KEEP THIS IN MIND.
DUN DUN
ONLY THOSE WHO CUT OFF FOUR REGULAR HEADS WILL GET ON THE TRAIN.


WHAT..?
WHAT KIND OF GAME HAS THIS CRAZY GUY COME UP WITH THIS TIME?!

STOP TALKING CRAP!!
YOU CRAZY BASTARD!!
F*CK OFF!
GET DOWN HERE! I'LL KILL YOU!
Booo
Booo
HEY, HOAQIN!!

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE TO COMMAND US!
Booo
Booo
WHAT THE HELL IS ALL THIS..?!
WOOSH
..IF YOU DON'T DO AS I SAY..
!!
I WILL MAKE YOU LISTEN.

SHOOAH
?!

KABABABAM
ARGH-!!

RumBle

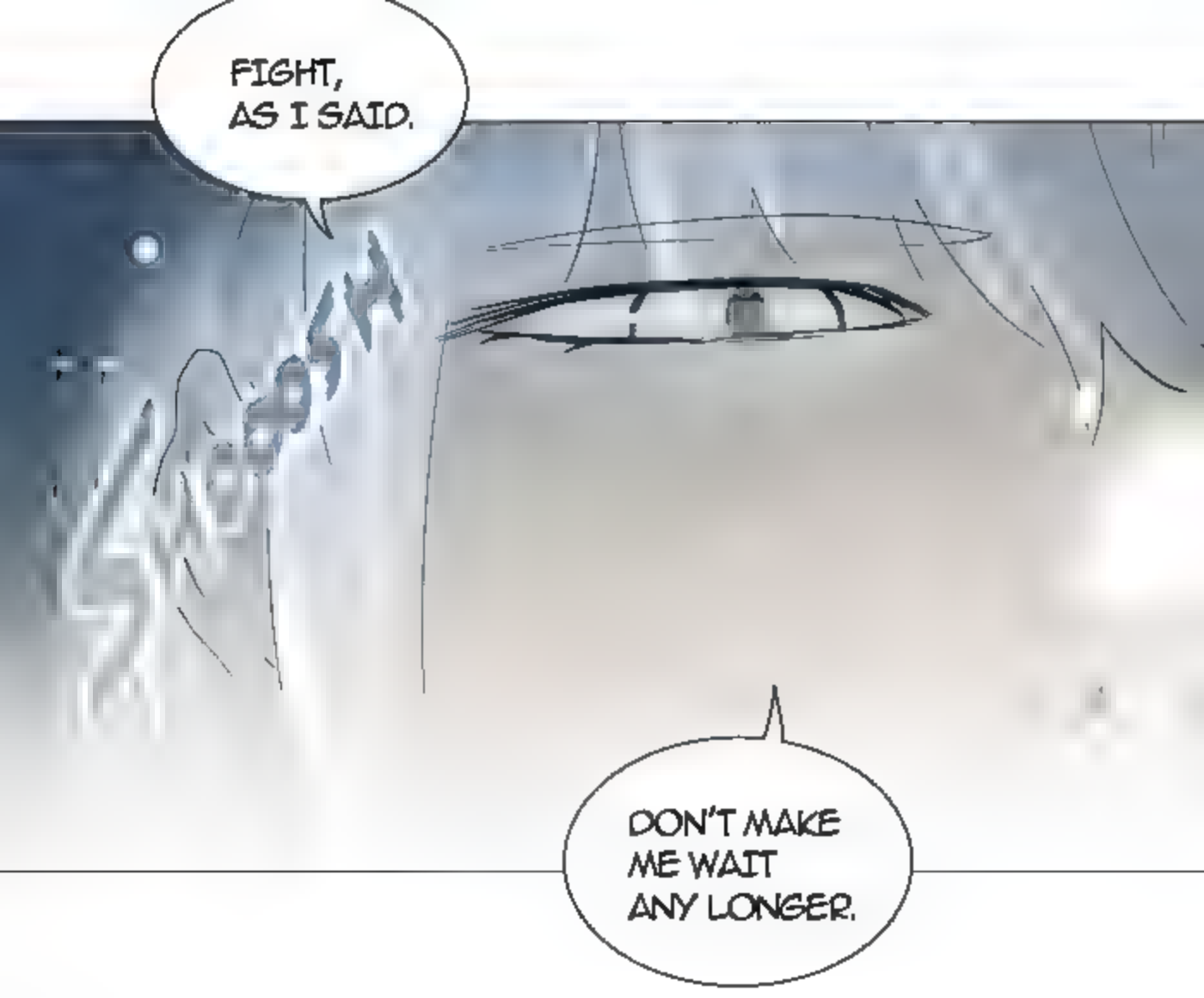
PAT-
PAT-
PAT-

W...WHAT?

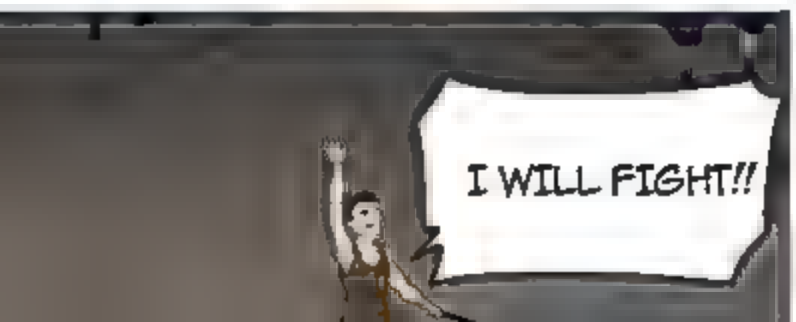
THAT LOOKS AS IF THE ENERGY IS BEING SUCKED OUT...

SWOOOOSH

THEY ARE VANISHING..!


FIGHT, AS I SAID.
DON'T MAKE ME WAIT ANY LONGER.

I...I WILL!
PH WHAT


I WILL FIGHT!!

I WILL KILL FOUR OTHER GUYS!

!!

PLEASE LET ME GET ON THE TRAIN!!

OH- THAT'S GOOD.
WE'VE GOT A BRAVE WARRIOR HERE.

THEN.
HURRY AND BRING FOUR HEADS UNDER MY FEET.
YES, SIR!!!

STOMP
HOLD ON.
.....?
STOMP
CAN WE... STEP INTO THIS FIGHT AS WELL?

YOU SEE, WE'D ALSO LIKE TO GET ON THE TRAIN.
CLANK-
CLANK-
!!

OH..
THEY ARE NOT BAD...
WHERE DID THEY COME FROM?
AS YOU WISH, WE'LL CUT OFF FOUR GUYS' HEADS AND GET ON THE TRAIN.
BUT, UNDER ONE CONDITION.

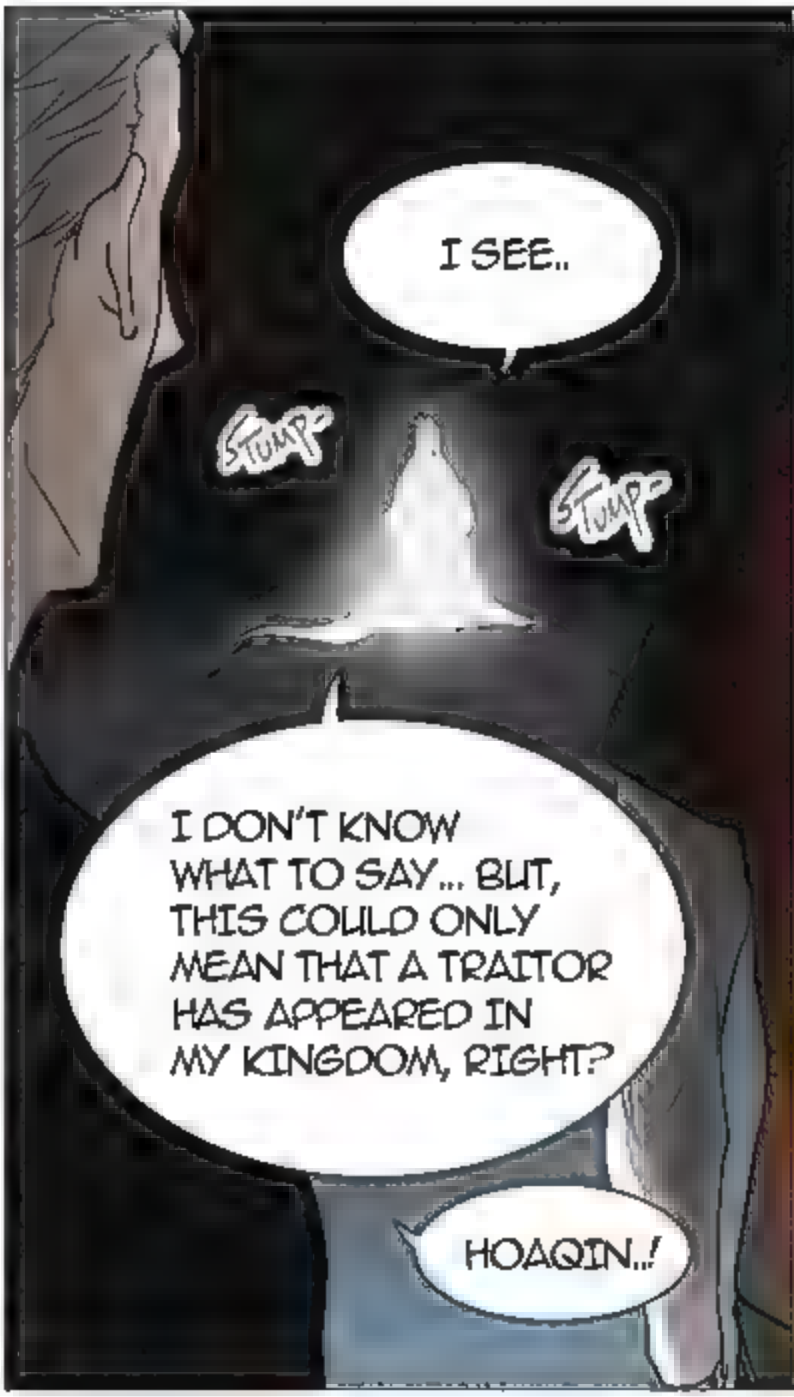
YOU'LL BE ONE OF THE FOUR.

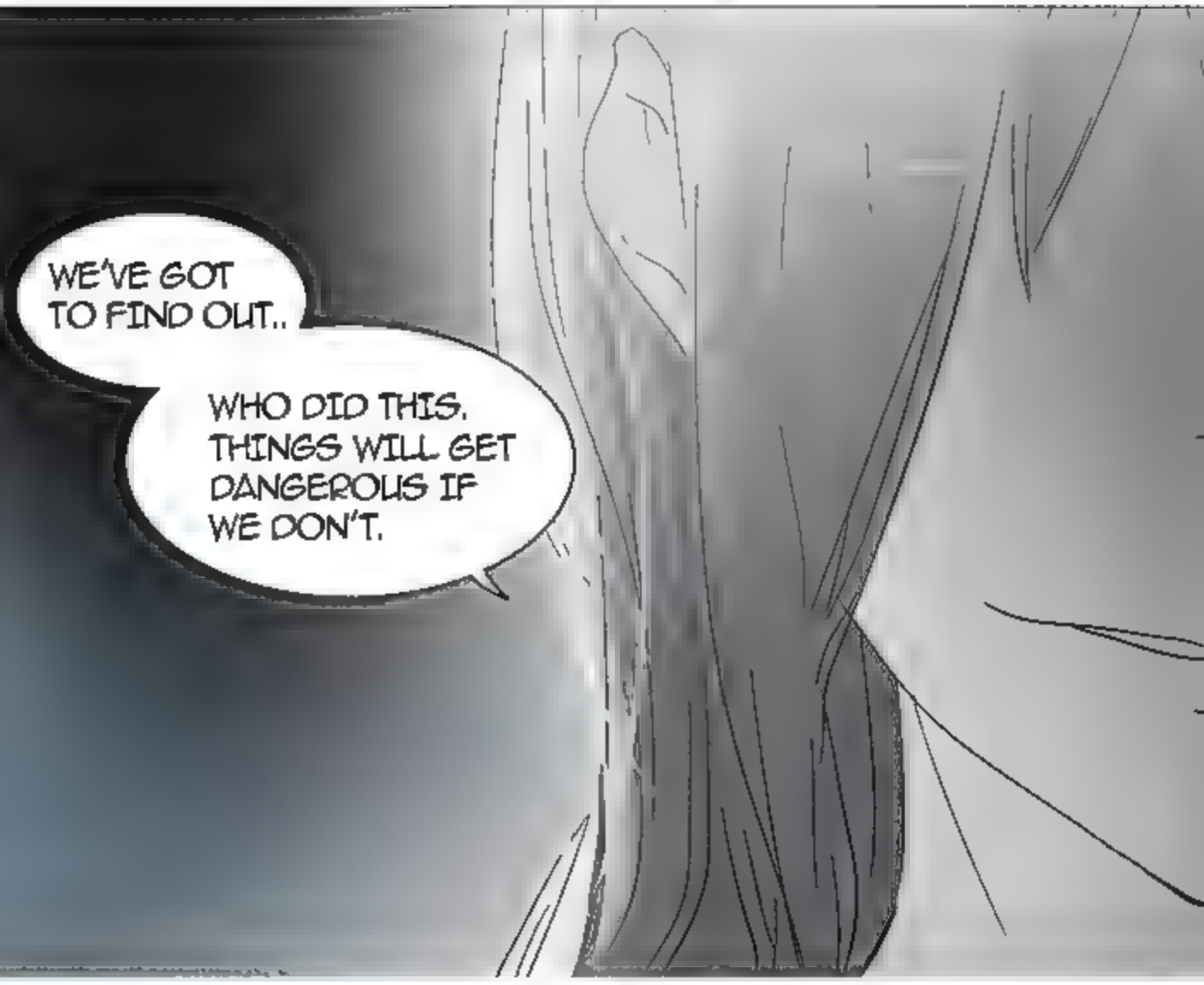
GET DOWN AND FIGHT, 'HOAQIN'.
.....!

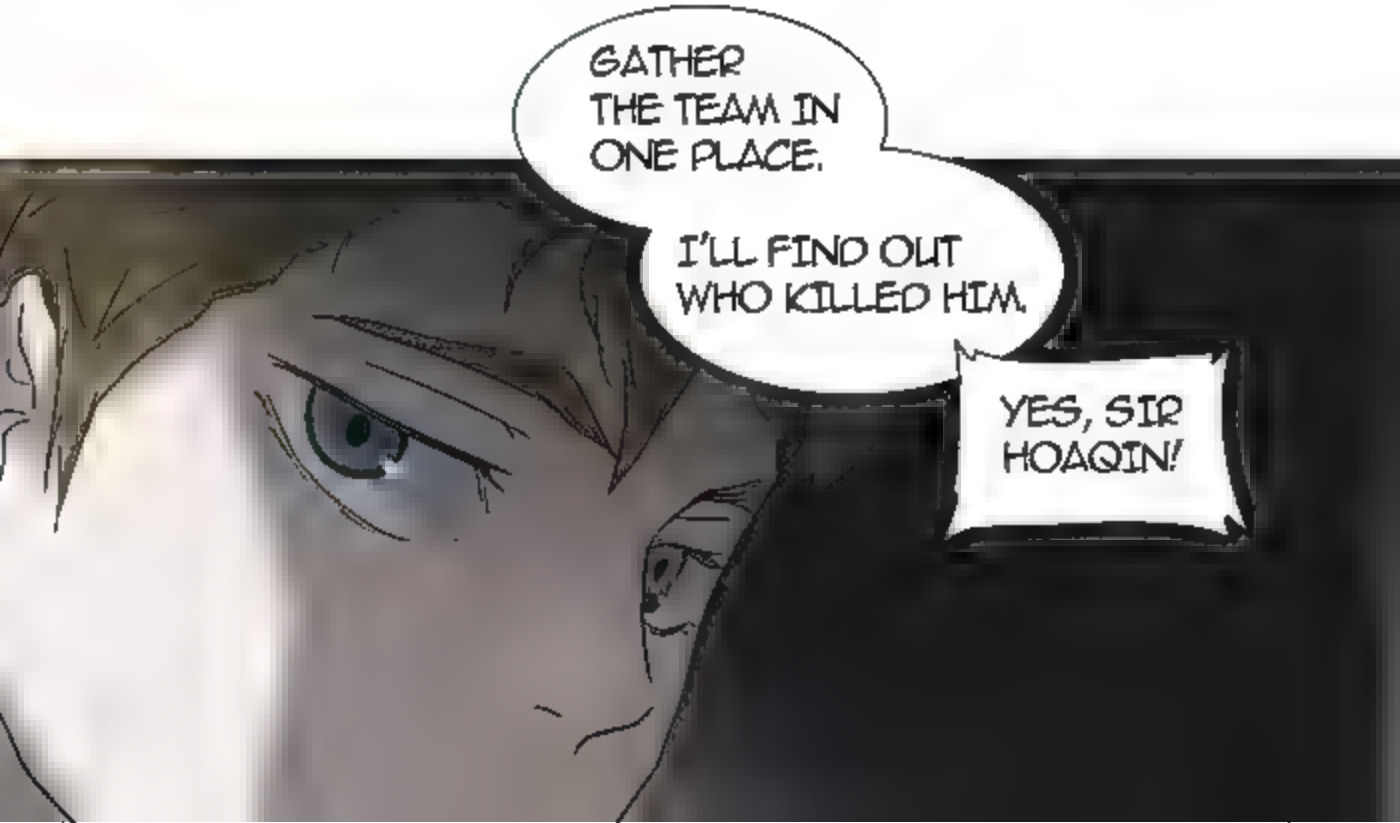
LINE Webtoon

ABOUT 600 YEARS AGO-
I'M SURE THIS HAPPENED IN THE MORNING, AND NO MONSTER CAME OUT.
WHO ON EARTH KILLED HIM?
THE HELL TRAIN

EVERYONE ON THE TRAIN IS ON SAME TEAM NOW...
SO, THIS COULD ONLY MEAN.. HE WAS KILLED BY HIS TEAMMATE.


I SEE..
STUMP
STUMP
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY... BUT, THIS COULD ONLY MEAN THAT A TRAITOR HAS APPEARED IN MY KINGDOM, RIGHT?
HOAQIN..!


WE'VE GOT TO FIND OUT..
WHO DID THIS. THINGS WILL GET DANGEROUS IF WE DON'T.

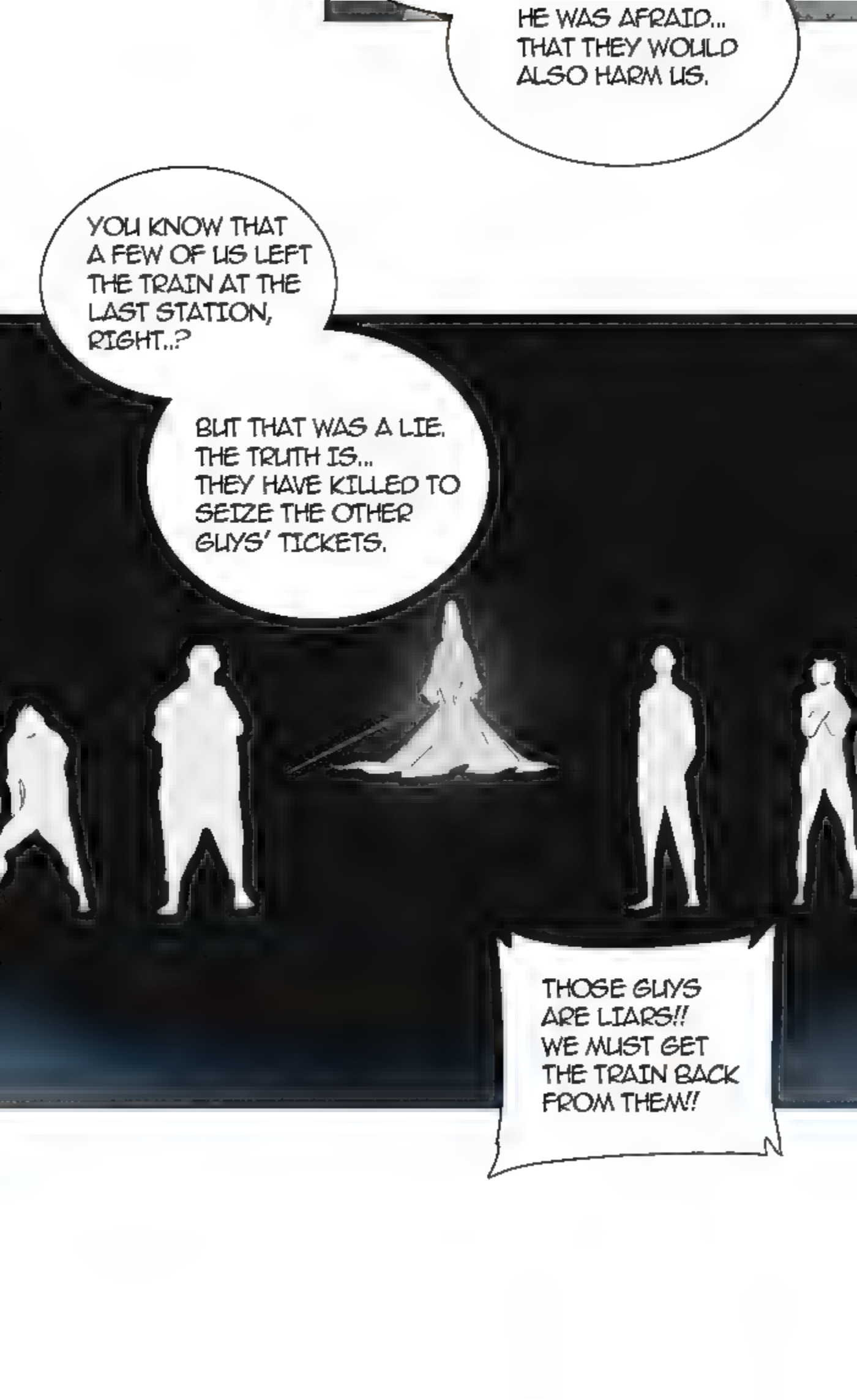

GATHER THE TEAM IN ONE PLACE.
I'LL FIND OUT WHO KILLED HIM.
YES, SIR HOAQIN!

.....

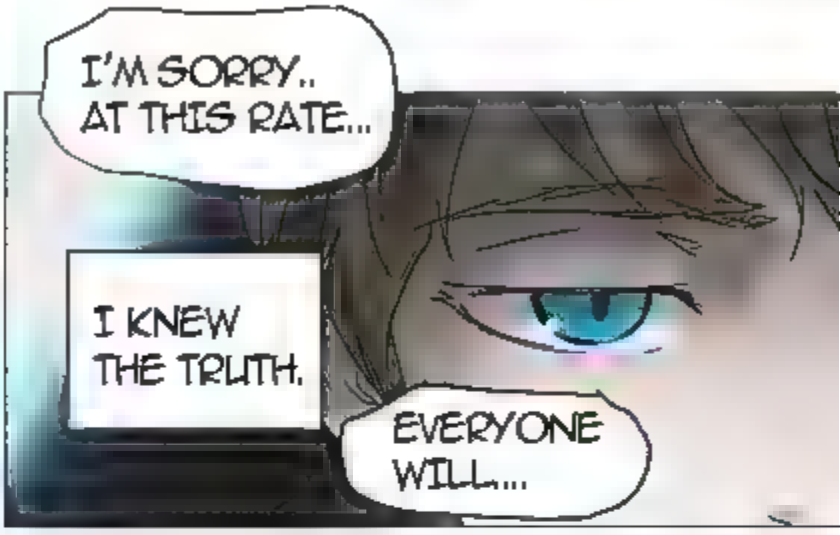
...WHY ON EARTH DID YOU KILL HIM?
ROEN..?

BOLLACK WAS MORE DEVOTED TO HOAQIN THAN ANYONE ELSE.
WHY HIM OUT OF EVERYONE ELSE...?

....I HAD... NO CHOICE..
DANIEL.. YOU'VE ALSO NOTICED, RIGHT?
THIS TRAIN... IS ALREADY UNDER THAT MAN'S CONTROL.
HOAQIN... THAT MAN CHANGED EVERYTHING...
HE'S ENTICING GUYS LIKE BOLLACK TO MAKE THEM HIS MINIONS.
AND THEY ACT AS IF THEY HAVE CONTROL OVER THE PEOPLE ON THE TRAIN BECAUSE OF HOAQIN..
LAST NIGHT... I SAW POE GETTING BEATEN UP BY BOLLACK.
AND WHEN I ASKED POE WHAT HAPPENED, HE TOLD ME TO NOT TO TELL ANYONE... SAYING THAT IT'S BEEN HAPPENING QUITE OFTEN...


HE WAS AFRAID... THAT THEY WOULD ALSO HARM US.
YOU KNOW THAT A FEW OF US LEFT THE TRAIN AT THE LAST STATION, RIGHT..?
BUT THAT WAS A LIE. THE TRUTH IS... THEY HAVE KILLED TO SEIZE THE OTHER GUYS' TICKETS.
THOSE GUYS ARE LIARS!! WE MUST GET THE TRAIN BACK FROM THEM!!

SO.. I WENT TO BOLLACK TO ASK HIM ABOUT IT, AND...
HE SAID.. HE'D TELL HOAQIN AND KILL US ALL..
SO.. I REALLY... HAD NO CHOICE...


I'M SORRY.. AT THIS RATE...
I KNEW THE TRUTH.
EVERYONE WILL....

THE VIOLENT EMOTIONS SHE HELD THAT EVEN LED HER TO KILL BOLLACK WAS....
NEITHER HATRED TOWARDS THEM NOR THE JUSTICE... BUT IT WAS RATHER CLOSER TO "JEALOUSY" TOWARDS HOAQIN...
SHE WAS JEALOUS OF THE GUYS WHO TOOK AWAY THE TRAIN... OUR PLACE.

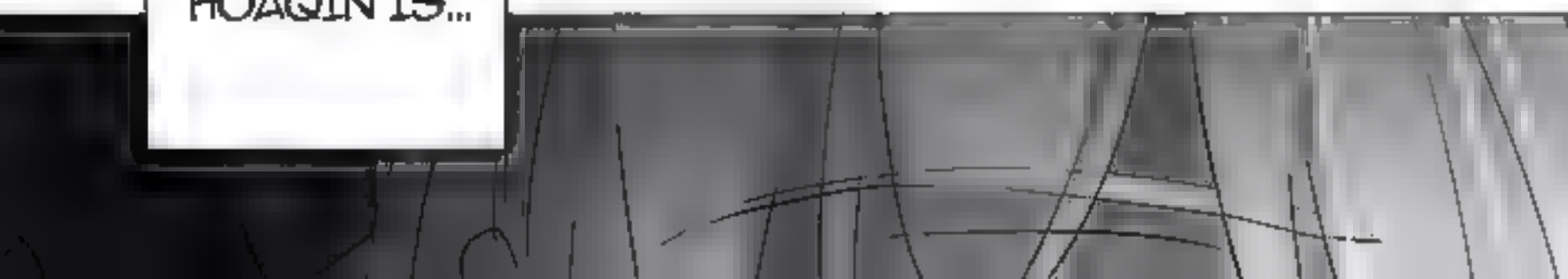
AND HOAQIN USED THOSE EMOTIONS.

I AM SURE THAT POE BECOMING THE VICTIM OF VIOLENCE WAS PART OF HOAQIN'S PLAN.

IF IT'S REVEALED THAT ROEN IS THE MURDERER, HE WILL PROBABLY GET RID OF US.

AFTER THINKING THAT... I REALIZED...

HOAQIN IS...



SMIRK

OH- YEAH?

LIKE "THE KING OF HELL".

A MAN WHO CREATES A HELL WHERE PEOPLE KILL EACH OTHER, AND ENJOYS WATCHING THEM...
OKAY.
IF YOU'RE SO CONFIDENT...
THE KING OF HELL.
SHOW ME WHAT YOU'VE GOT.

IF YOU'RE WORTHY OF IT... I'LL LET YOU FIGHT ME.

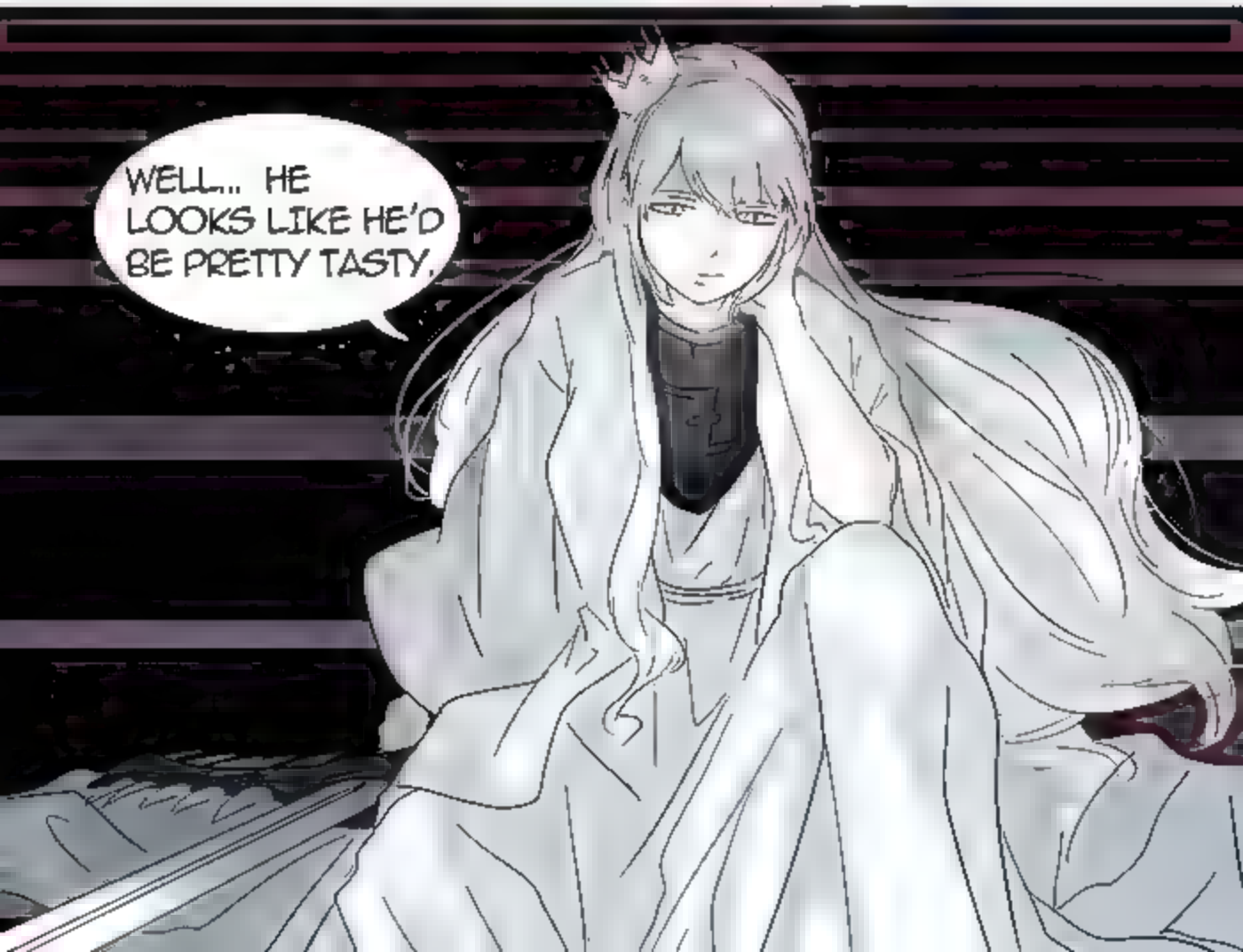
GOOD.
STUMP-
CLANK
STUMP
H...HEY, I THINK YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING MISUNDERSTOOD.
W..
WAIT! HOW ABOUT THIS?!
I MEAN... ALL THREE OF US WILL TAKE THAT WHITE GUY OUT! HOW'S THAT SOUND?!

...I DON'T NEED YOU.

BAM
ACK-!

RUMBLE
WHOA-

.....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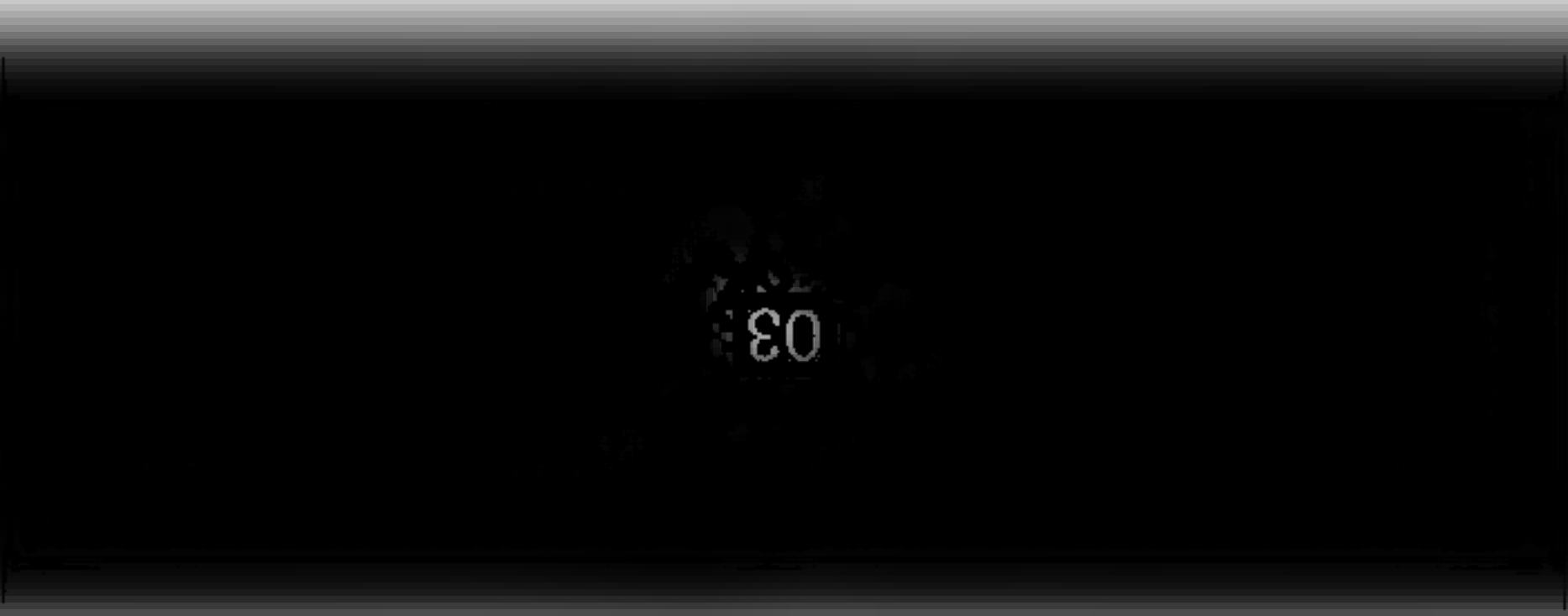
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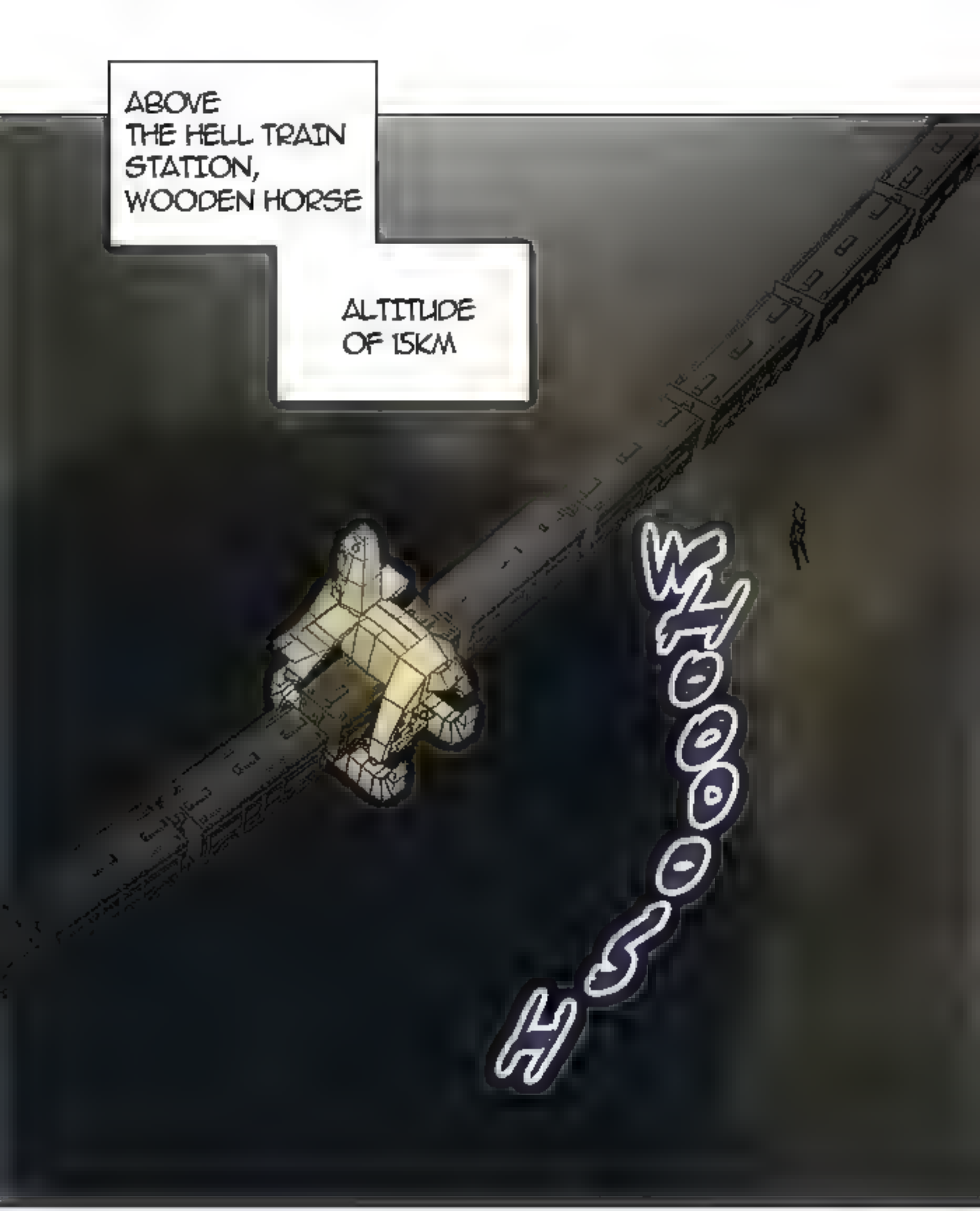

ABOVE THE HELL TRAIN STATION, WOODEN HORSE
ALTITUDE OF 15KM
WHOOOSH

THE HELL TRAIN..
IT'S BEEN A WHILE.
GRIND

YOU DO LOOK QUITE STRONG, BUT...

IT'S STILL NOT GOOD ENOUGH TO FIGHT ME.

ALRIGHT, SHALL WE CHANGE THE RULES A BIT THEN?

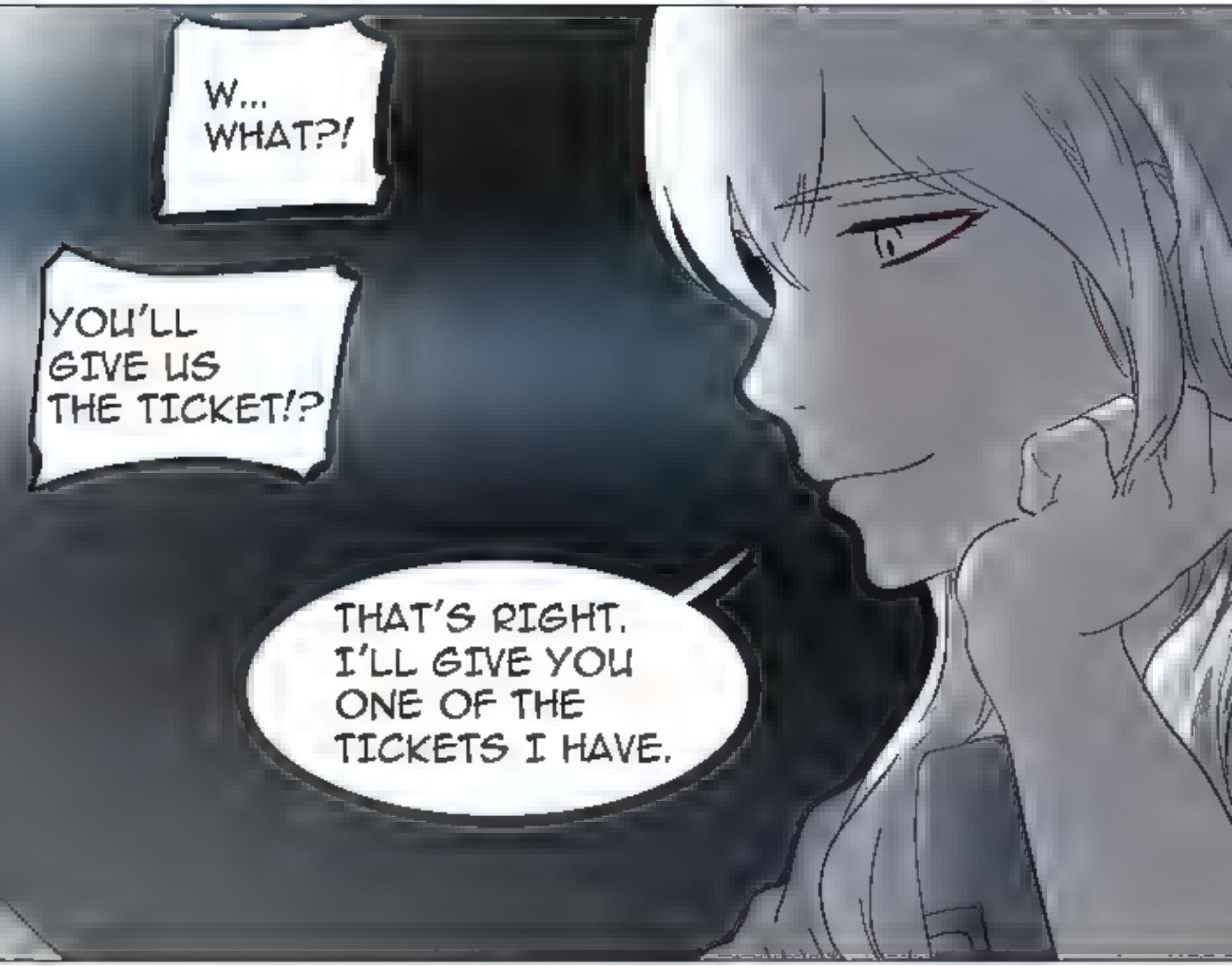
WHAT?

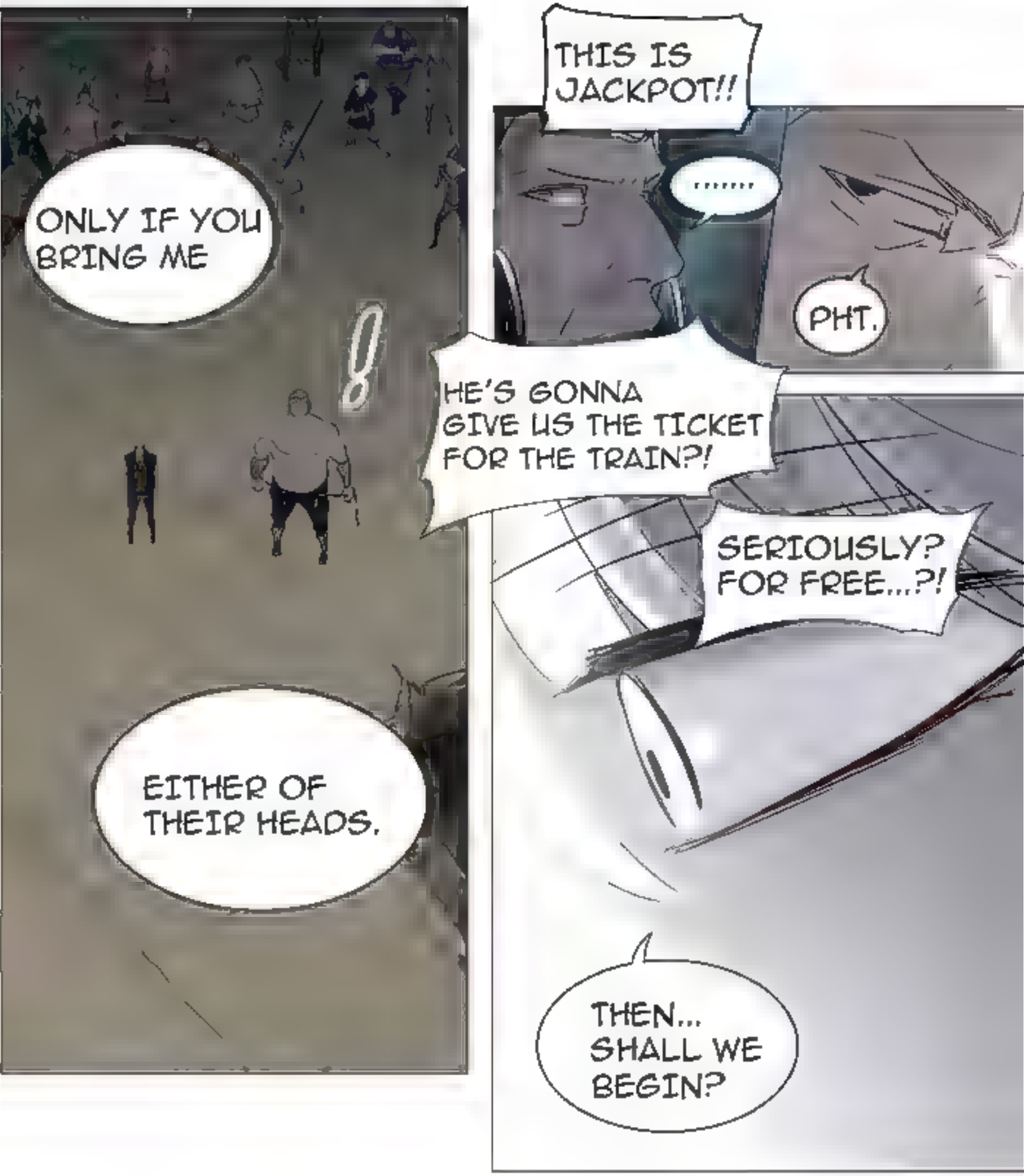
LISTEN! I WILL HOLD A NEW EVENT.

I'LL GIVE A "TICKET" THAT ALLOWS YOU TO GET ON THE TRAIN

POINT

TO ANYONE WHO CUTS EITHER OF THEIR HEADS OFF.


W...
WHAT?!
YOU'LL GIVE US THE TICKET!?
THAT'S RIGHT. I'LL GIVE YOU ONE OF THE TICKETS I HAVE.


ONLY IF YOU BRING ME
EITHER OF THEIR HEADS.
THIS IS JACKPOT!!
.....
PHT.
HE'S GONNA GIVE US THE TICKET FOR THE TRAIN?!
SERIOUSLY? FOR FREE...?!
THEN... SHALL WE BEGIN?

WHEEE
FIGHT.
BANG-
THUMP-

BOOM

BLOOM

KABOOM

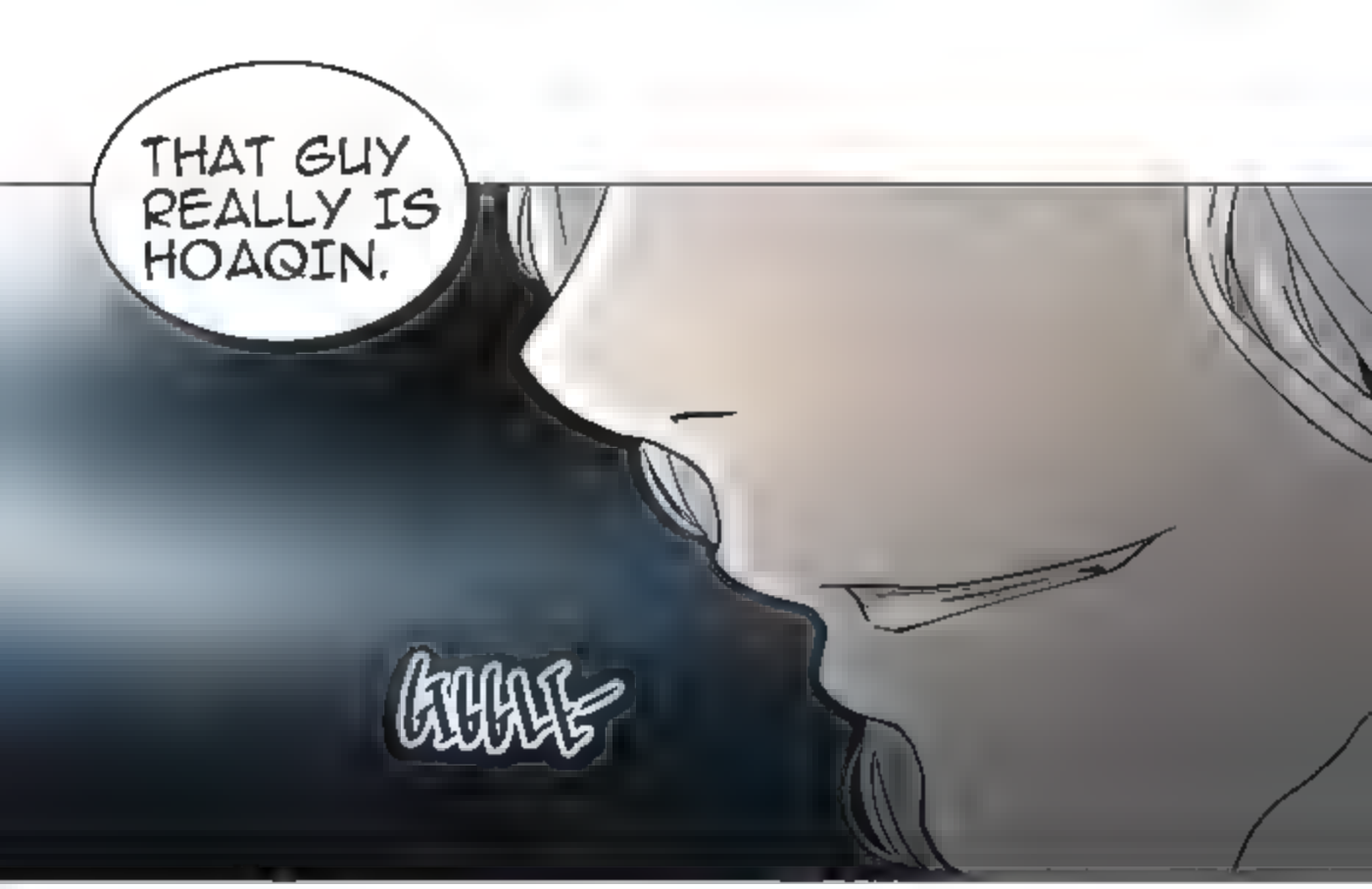
ALTHOUGH HE GOT SMALLER,

HIS BAD TASTES SEEMS TO BE EVIL AS ALWAYS.

YEAH... HE LIKES TO PLAY AROUND WITH PEOPLE...

JUST LIKE HOW HE USED TO BE..

MAKING PEOPLE FIGHT AND COMPETE WITH EACH OTHER... LIKE A DEVIL...


THAT GUY REALLY IS HOAQIN.
GULP

VOOSH
RUMBLE

CLANK

EVERYTHING LOOKS JUST ABOUT READY, RIGHT?
WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO GET DOWN HERE,
HOAQIN?

YOU SURELY ARE QUITE STRONG FOR D-CLASS REGULARS...
WHO SENT YOU?
SEEING THAT YOU KNOW ABOUT ME... ARE YOU FUG BY ANY CHANCE..?
....YES, WE ARE.

WE HEARD THAT THERE'S A BLASPHEMOUS D-CLASS REGULAR ON THE TRAIN.
WHO TELLS PEOPLE THAT HE'S GOING TO BE A SLAYER NOMINEE.

...A BLASPHEMOUS D-CLASS... REGULAR...

H..
HAHA..

AHAHAHA
HAHAHAHA
HAHAHA!!

THIS IS SO DAMN FUNNY..

HA-

HAHAHA-

WHAT A COMEDY SHOW...

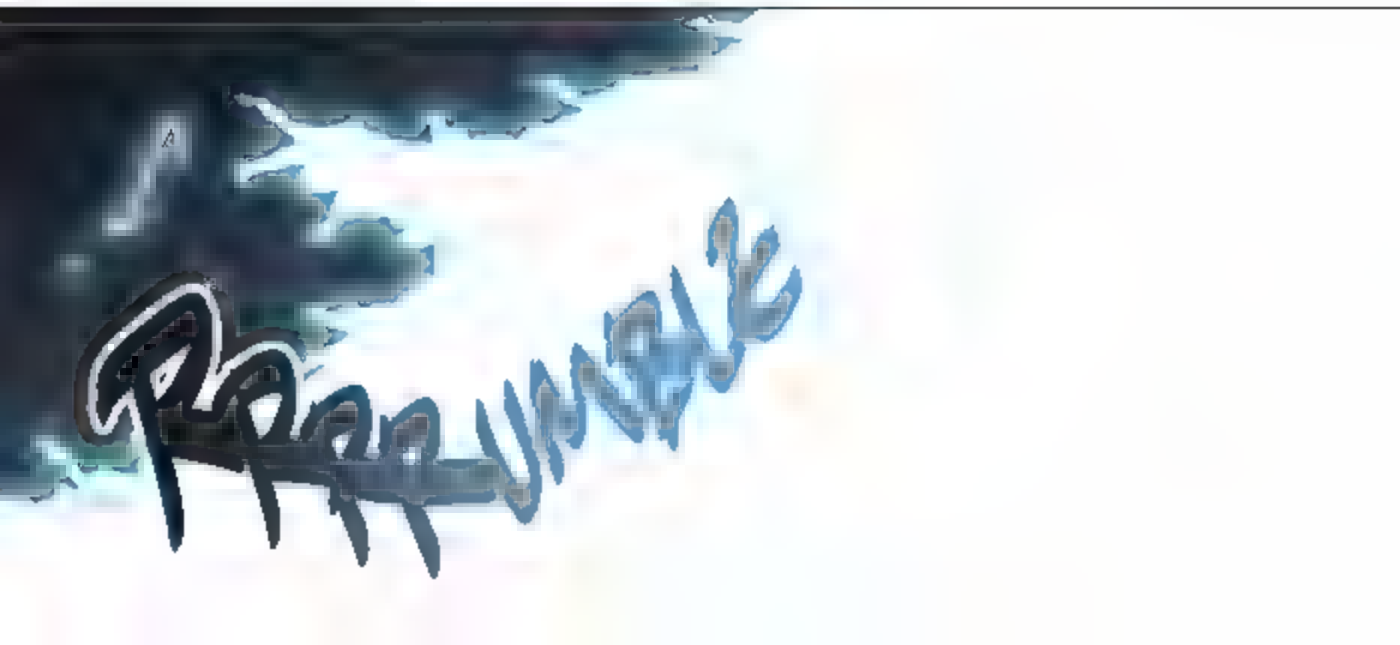
THOSE FREAKING OLD MEN... GEEZ...

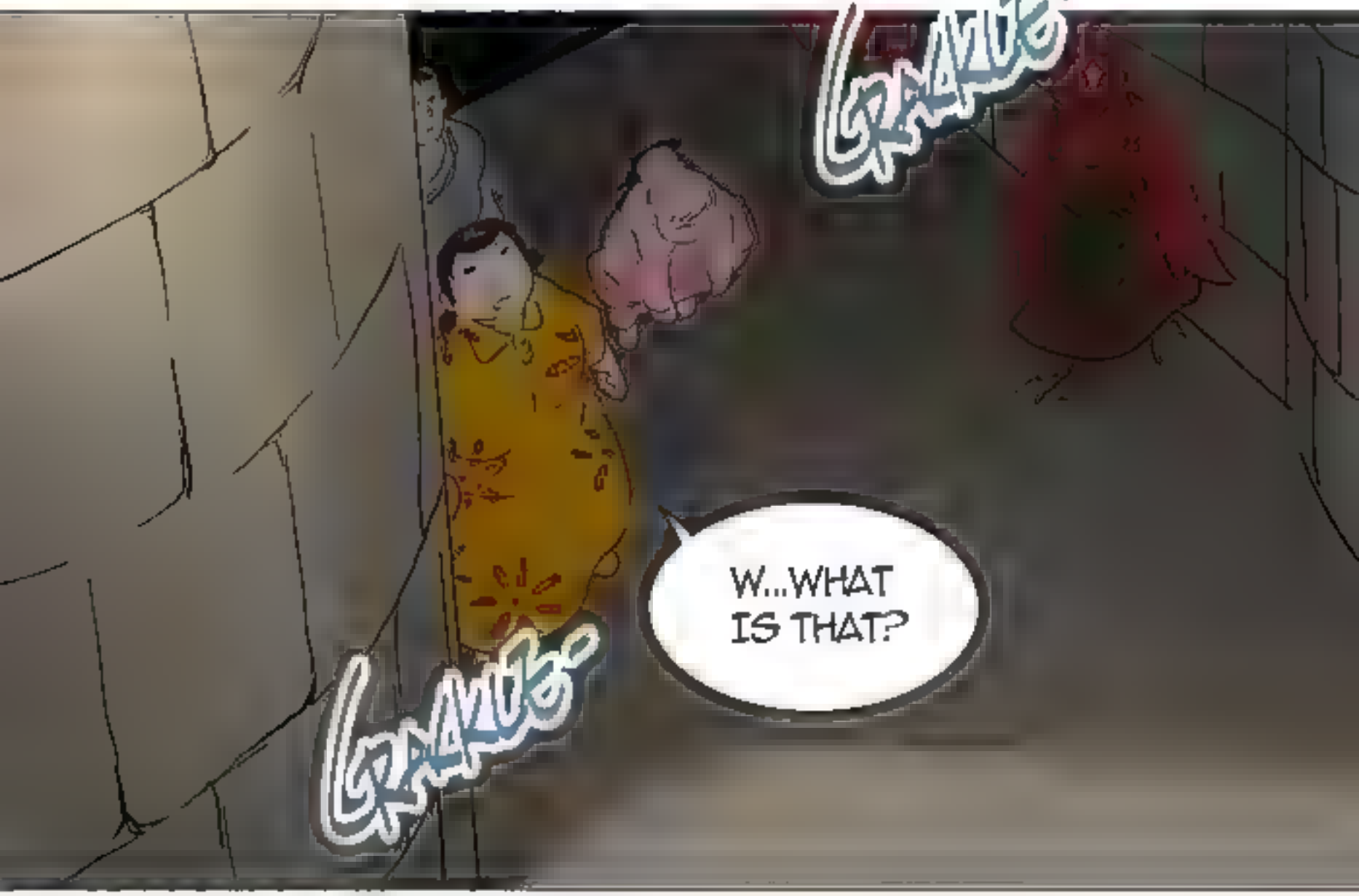
YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHO'S REALLY BEING BLASPHEMOUS HERE...

ARE THEY LOOKING DOWN ON ME BECAUSE I'M STUCK IN THIS TRAIN..?
THIS IS PISSING ME OFF..

ALRIGHT... WATCH WITH YOUR OWN TWO EYES.
RUMBLE

STUMP
WATCH WHAT KIND OF A MAN... THAT BLASPHEMOUS D-CLASS REGULAR IS...!
RUMBLE · RUMBLE
!!

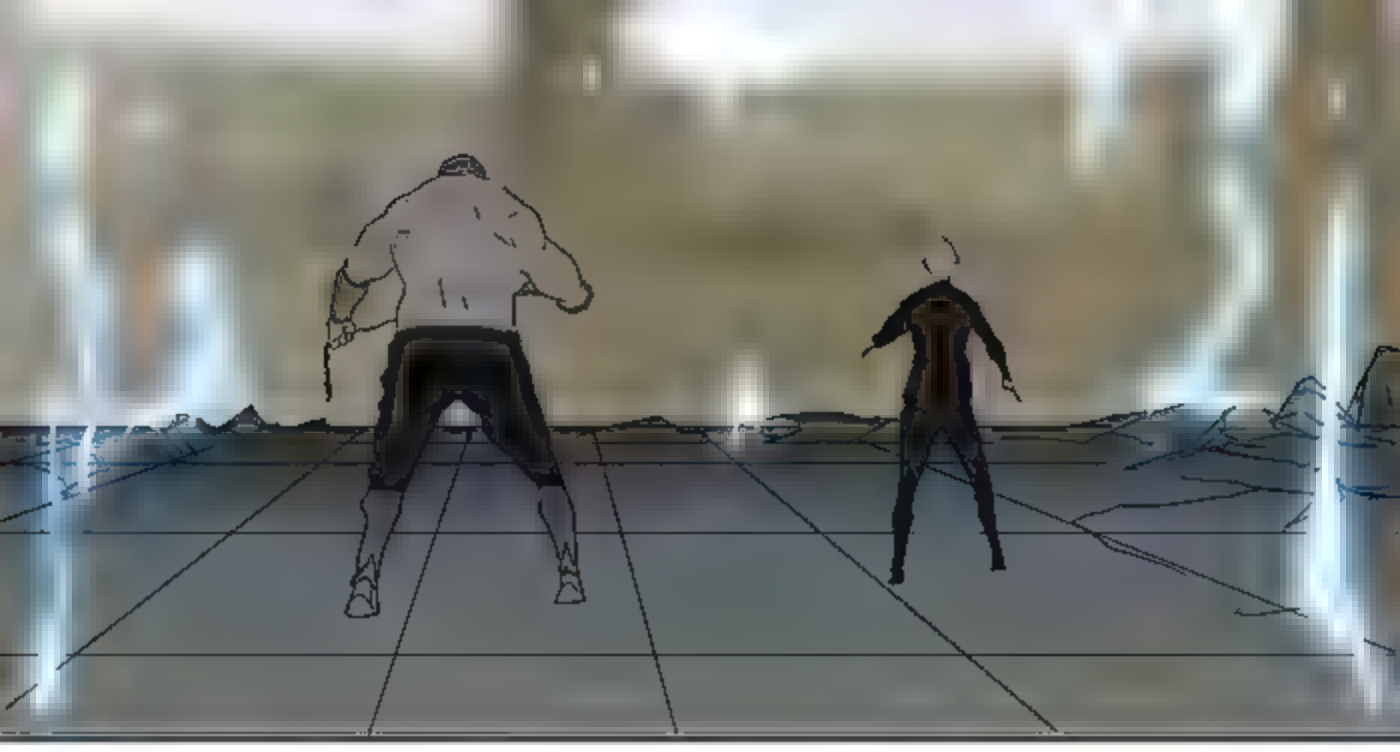

RUMBLE

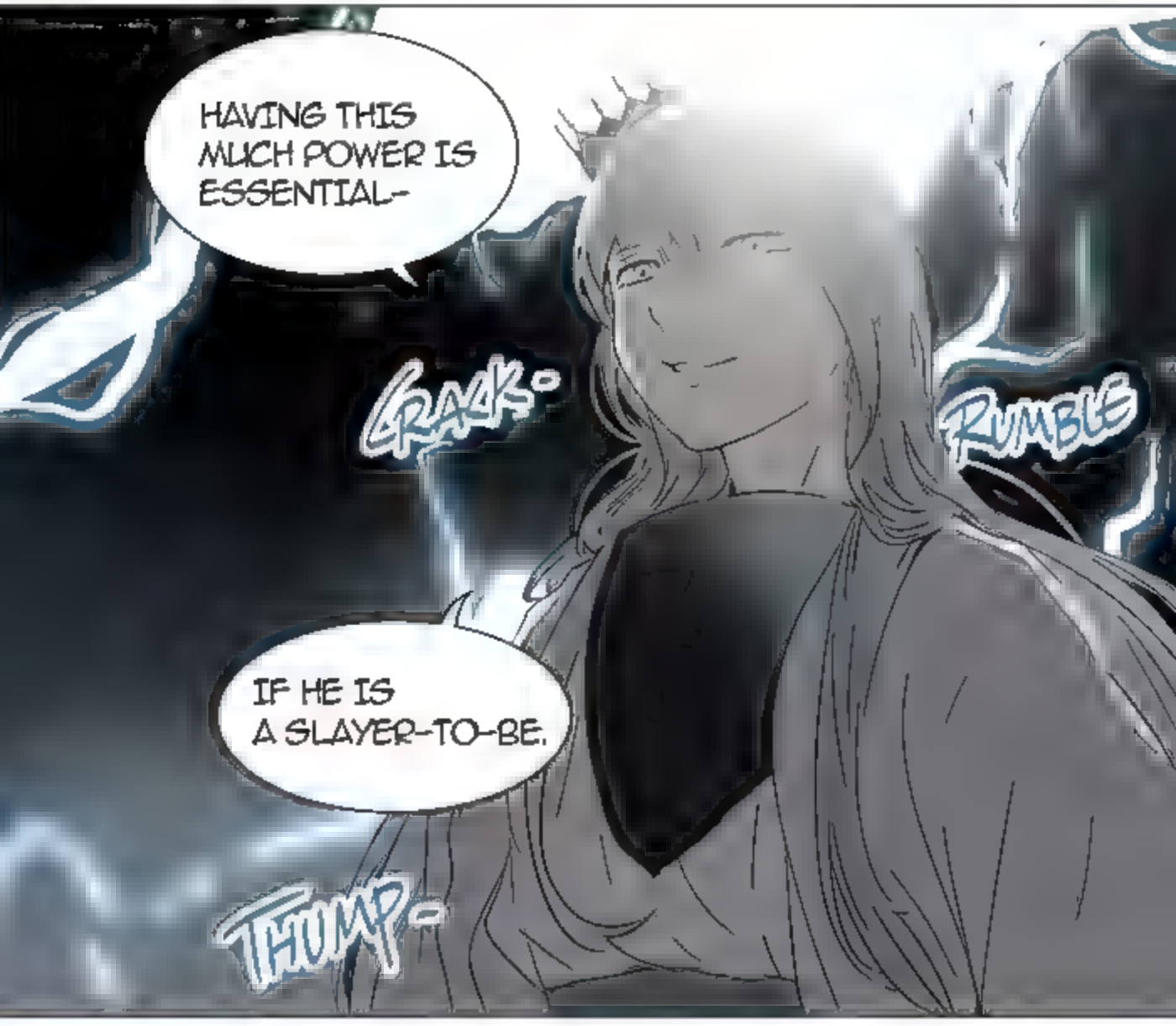

W...WHAT
IS THAT?

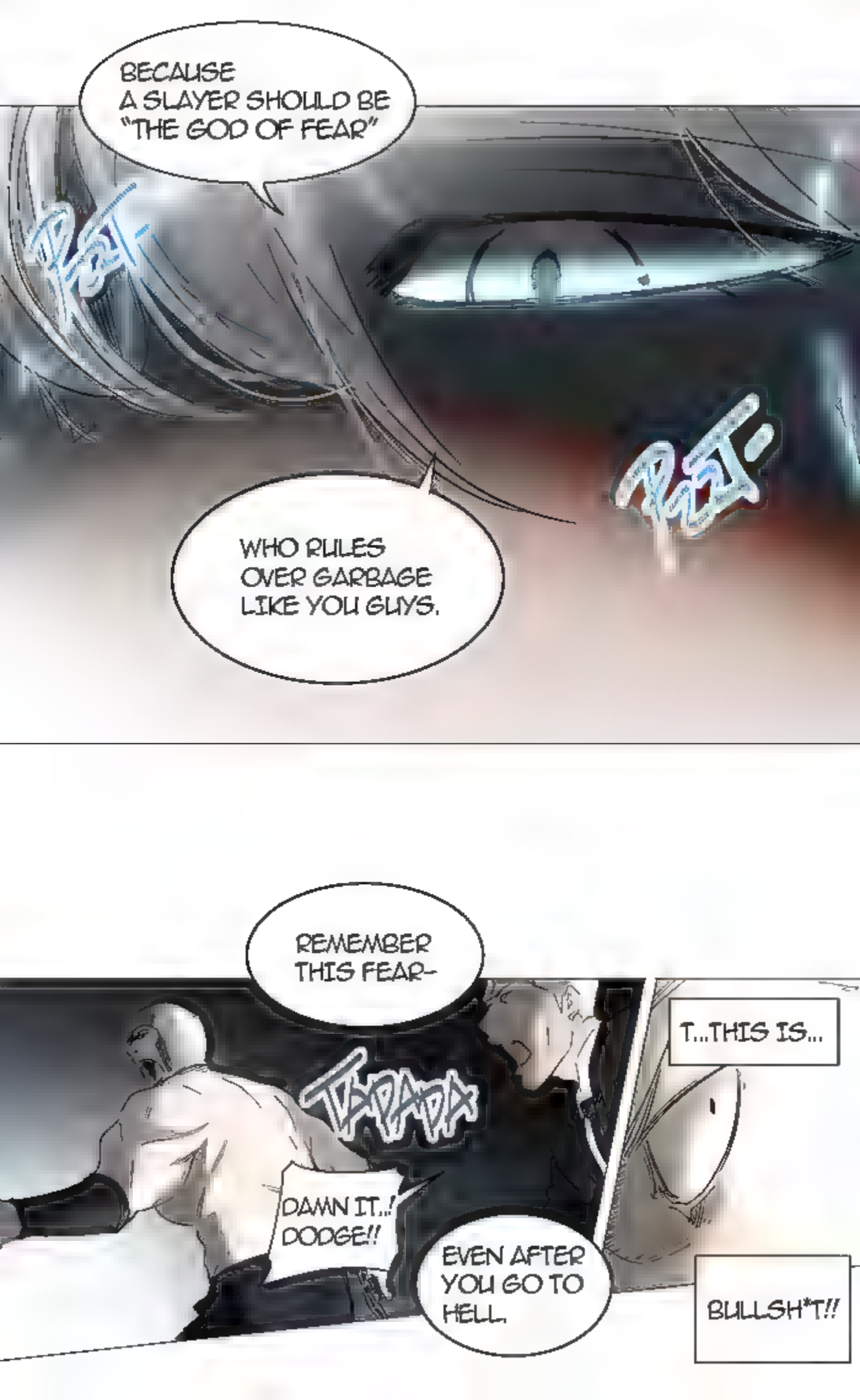
Rumble
THE SINSU IS..
CONSTANTLY INCREASING!
Boom!
THAT'S..!
..I GUESS HE CONSUMED QUITE A LOT OF SOULS.

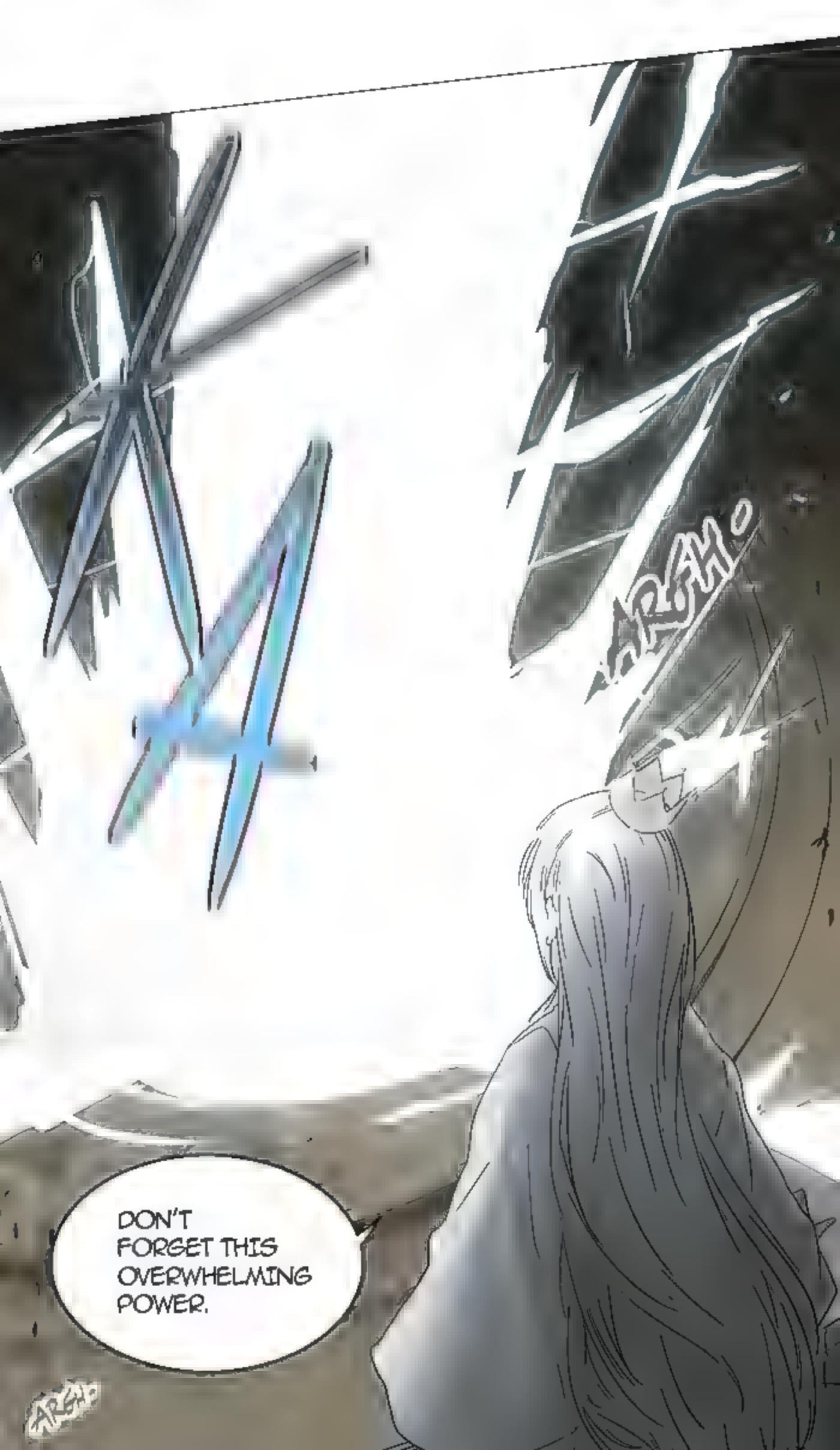
Rumble
!!
W...WHAT THE..?!
HOW COULD SINSU BE SO HUGE?

KUMBLE
HOW COULD...
A D-CLASS REGULAR HAVE SUCH POWER?!

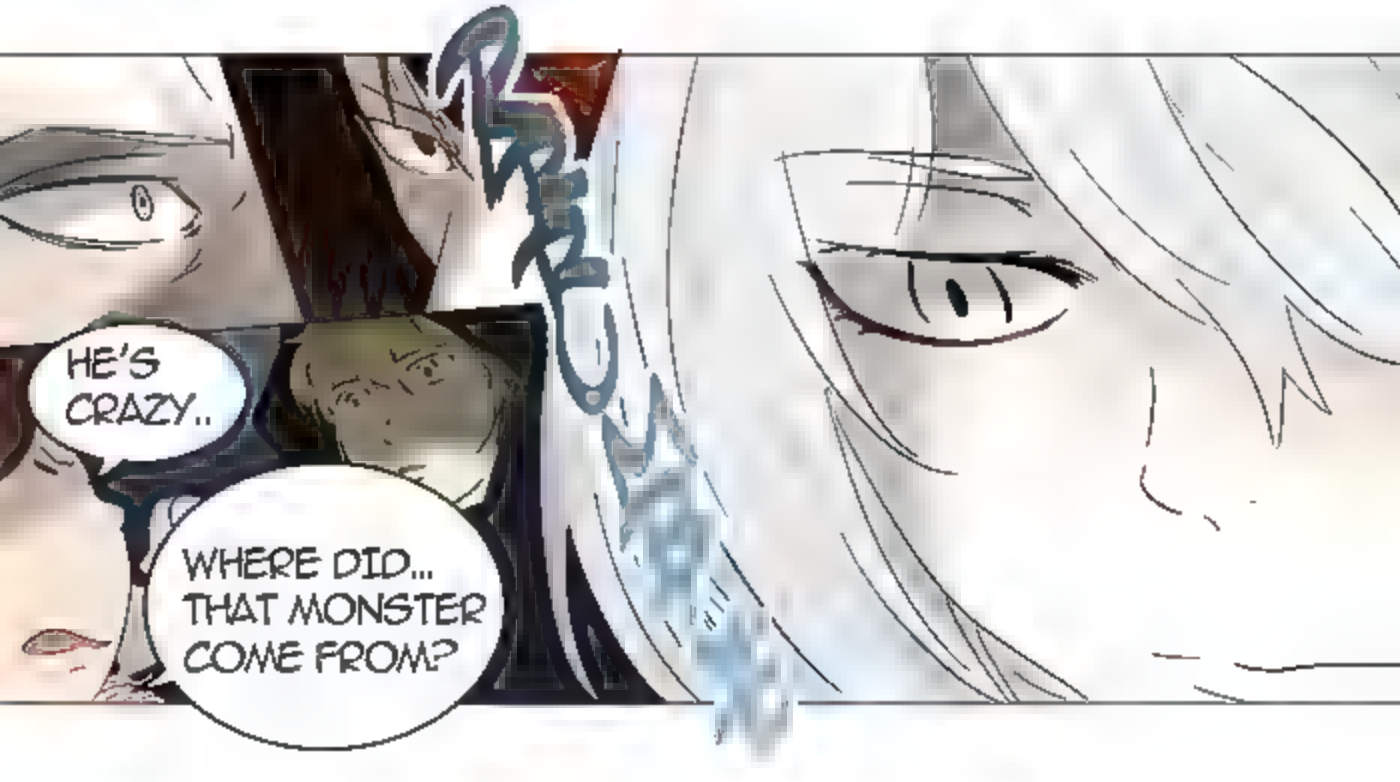



HAVING THIS MUCH POWER IS ESSENTIAL-
GRAAK-
RUMBLE
IF HE IS A SLAYER-TO-BE,
THUMP-


BECAUSE
A SLAYER SHOULD BE
"THE GOD OF FEAR"
WHO RULES
OVER GARBAGE
LIKE YOU GUYS.
REMEMBER
THIS FEAR-
DAMN IT..!
DODGE!!
EVEN AFTER
YOU GO TO
HELL.
T...THIS IS...
BULLSH*T!!


ARGH
DON'T FORGET THIS OVERWHELMING POWER.

BOOM


HE'S CRAZY..
WHERE DID... THAT MONSTER COME FROM?

IT'S ALL CLEANED UP NOW.

RUMBLE

RUMBLE

I'VE ALWAYS PREFERRED CLEAN OVER A MESS.

THAT...
CRAZY
BASTARD...
HE ENDED
UP KILLING
THEM ALL...

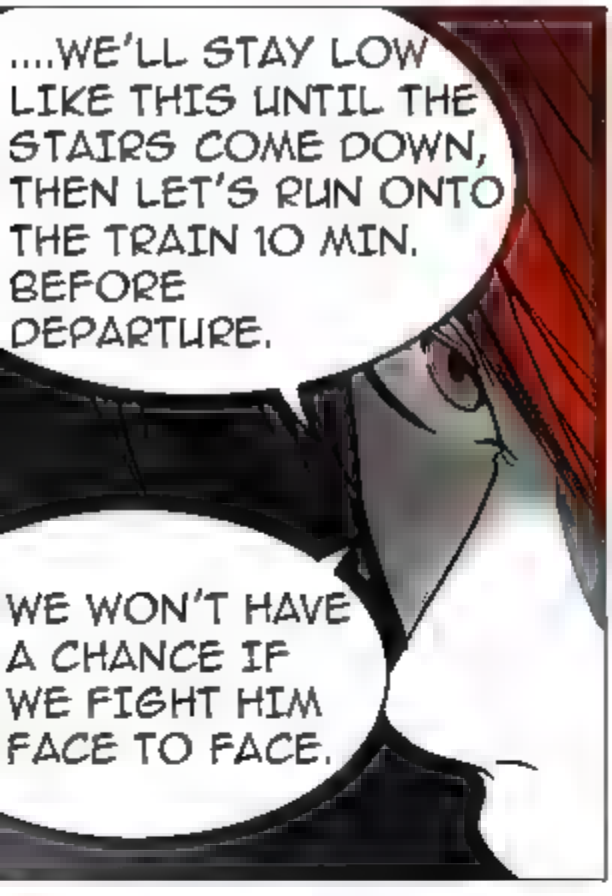
SIR AKA, IS THAT HIM? THE... OLD FOE OF YOURS YOU TOLD US ABOUT?

HE'S A REAL MONSTER, HUH?

RIGHT..

HIS PERSONALITY HASN'T CHANGED, ALTHOUGH HIS BODY GOT SMALLER...

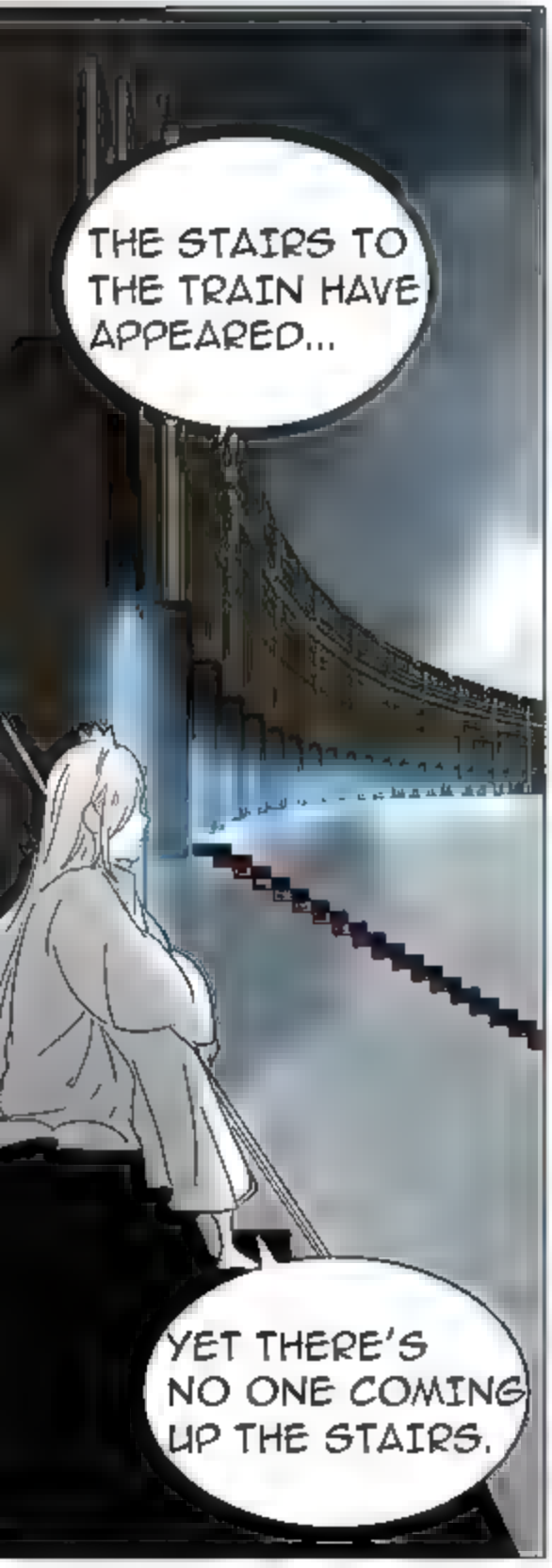
BORO, AKA.


....WE'LL STAY LOW LIKE THIS UNTIL THE STAIRS COME DOWN, THEN LET'S RUN ONTO THE TRAIN 10 MIN. BEFORE DEPARTURE.
WE WON'T HAVE A CHANCE IF WE FIGHT HIM FACE TO FACE.

GOT IT.
LET'S GET ON THE TRAIN FIRST.

I GUESS THE OTHER GUYS..
COULDN'T MAKE IT AFTER ALL...

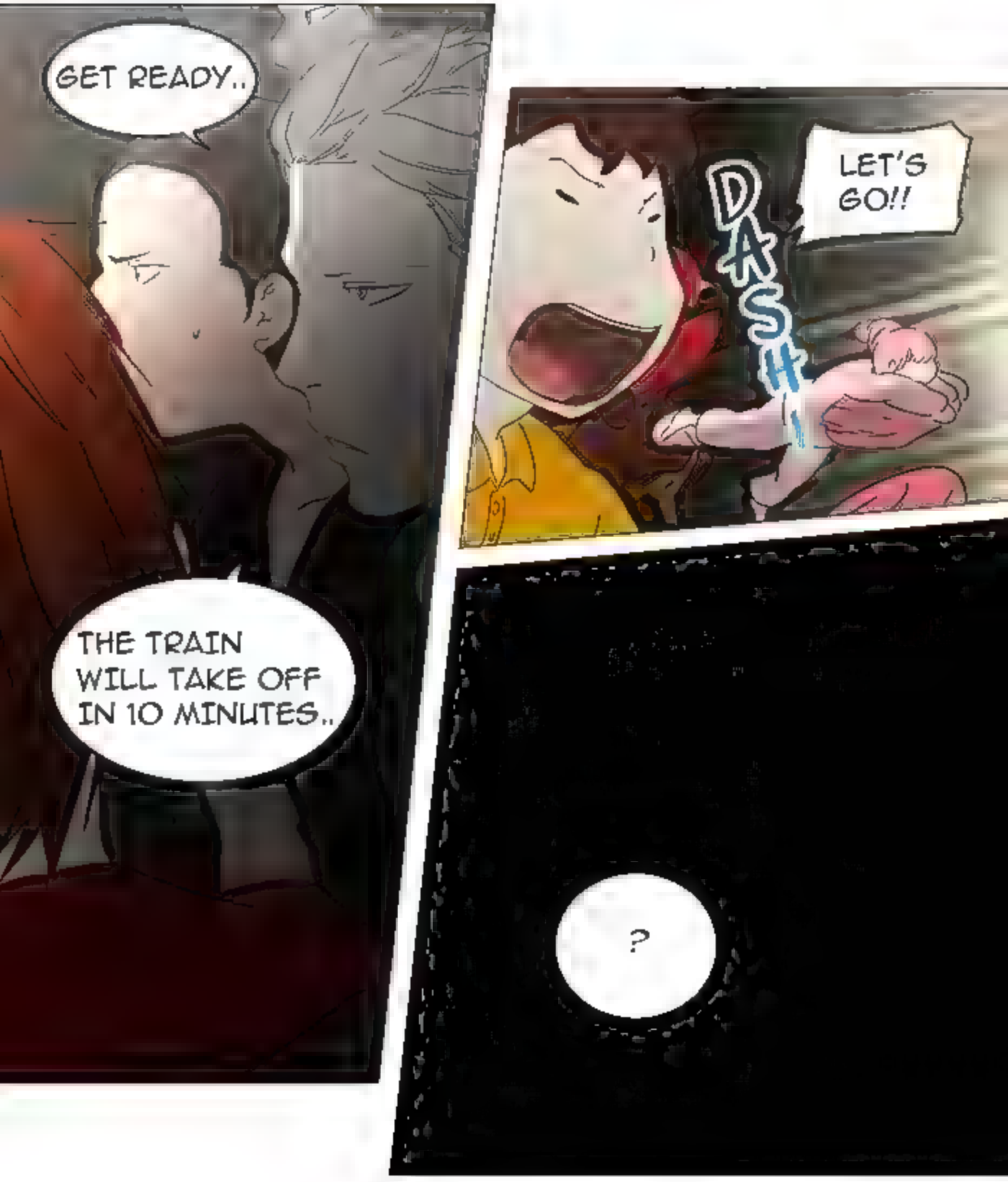
50 MIN. LATER.
10 MIN. BEFORE DEPARTURE-
AH-
WHOOSH-


THE STAIRS TO THE TRAIN HAVE APPEARED...
YET THERE'S NO ONE COMING UP THE STAIRS.

DISAPPOINTING.
HOW COULD THERE BE NO ONE WITH ANY TALENT...

SSH
LET'S GO BACK IN.

I HOPE THERE ARE MORE GUYS WHO ARE WORTH EATING AT NEXT STATION.
STUMP—
STUMP—


GET READY..
THE TRAIN WILL TAKE OFF IN 10 MINUTES..
DASH
LET'S GO!!
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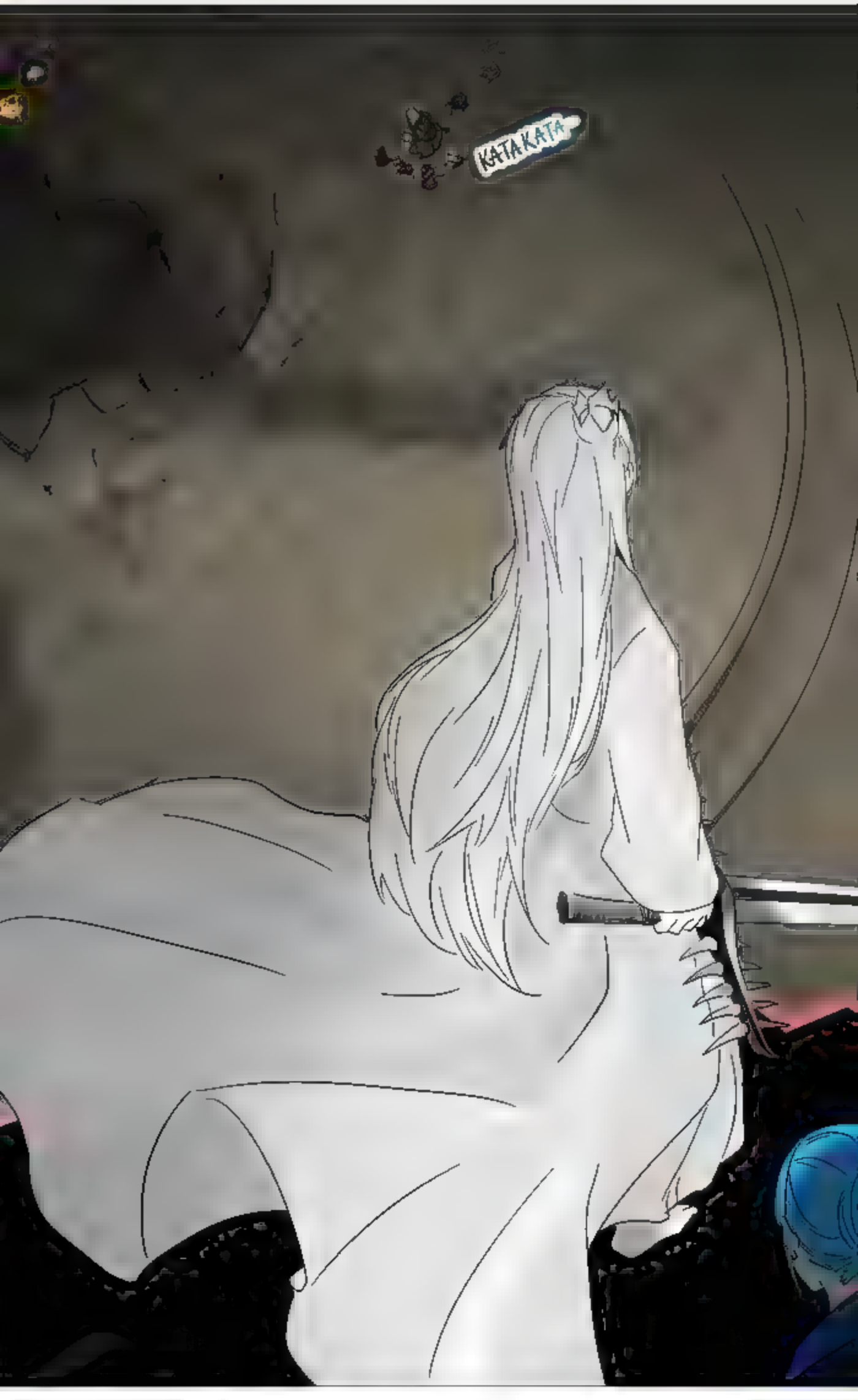
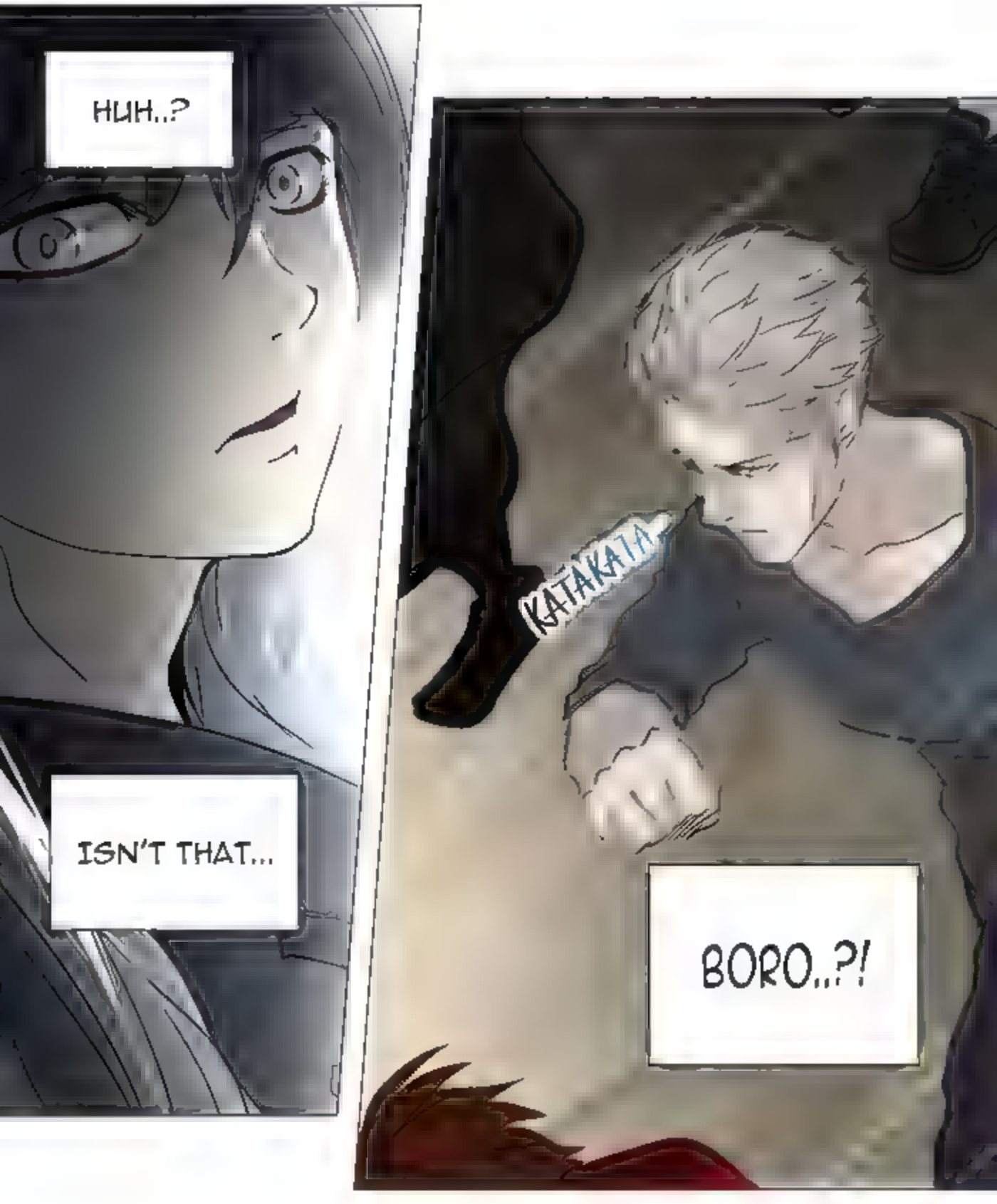
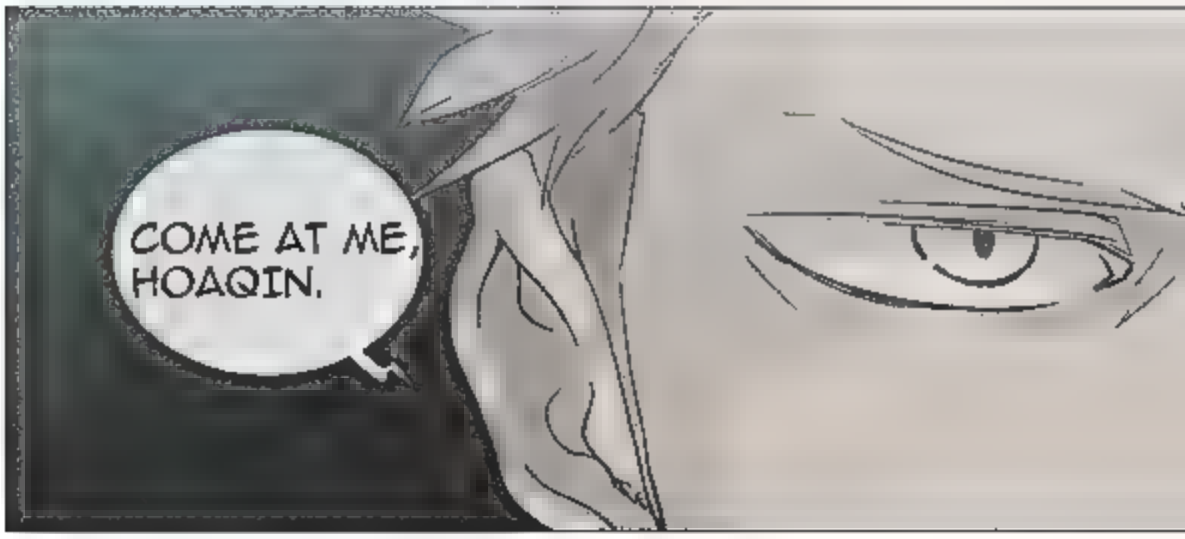

KATAKATA


HUH..?
ISN'T THAT...
KATAKATA
BORO..?!

YES..
PERHAPS..
I'D BE ABLE TO READ YOUR SWORD JUST FOR ONCE.


COME AT ME, HOAQIN.

!
BORO!!
YOU SON OF
A B*TCH!!
I'VE FINALLY
FOUND YOU..!!

!!

BORO.. AKA! THEY CAUGHT UP TO US ALREADY?

DAMN IT.. DID HE RECOGNIZE ME?!

KATAKATAKATA

SACHI AS WELL?!

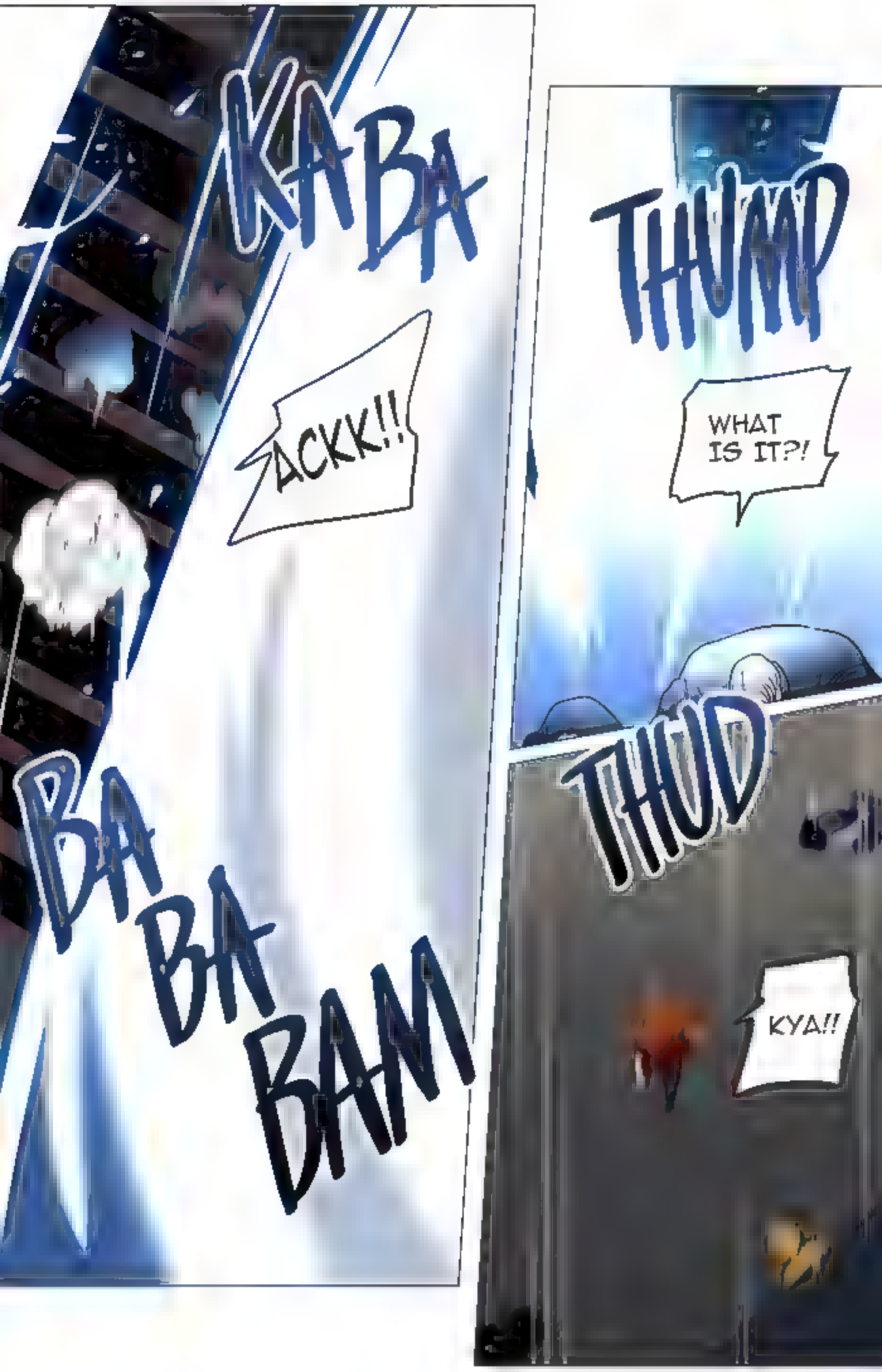
DANIEL..!

SWISH
I'M GONNA KILL YOU..!!
WOOOSH
ALTHOUGH THIS IS A FAVOR FOR MY LITTLE BROTHER...

I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M DOING THIS FOR HIM.
SHOOSH

KA

BA-
BA-
BA-
BA-
!!
BA-NN


KABA
ACKK!!
BA
BA
BAM
THUMP
WHAT IS IT?!
THUD
KYA!!

BANG
CRACK
PLIT-

RUMBLE

!!
WHAT'S GOING ON?!

I'LL CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING!!

PLOP

.....

PLOP

IT MUST BE A KID FROM KHUN FAMILY DOING THIS..

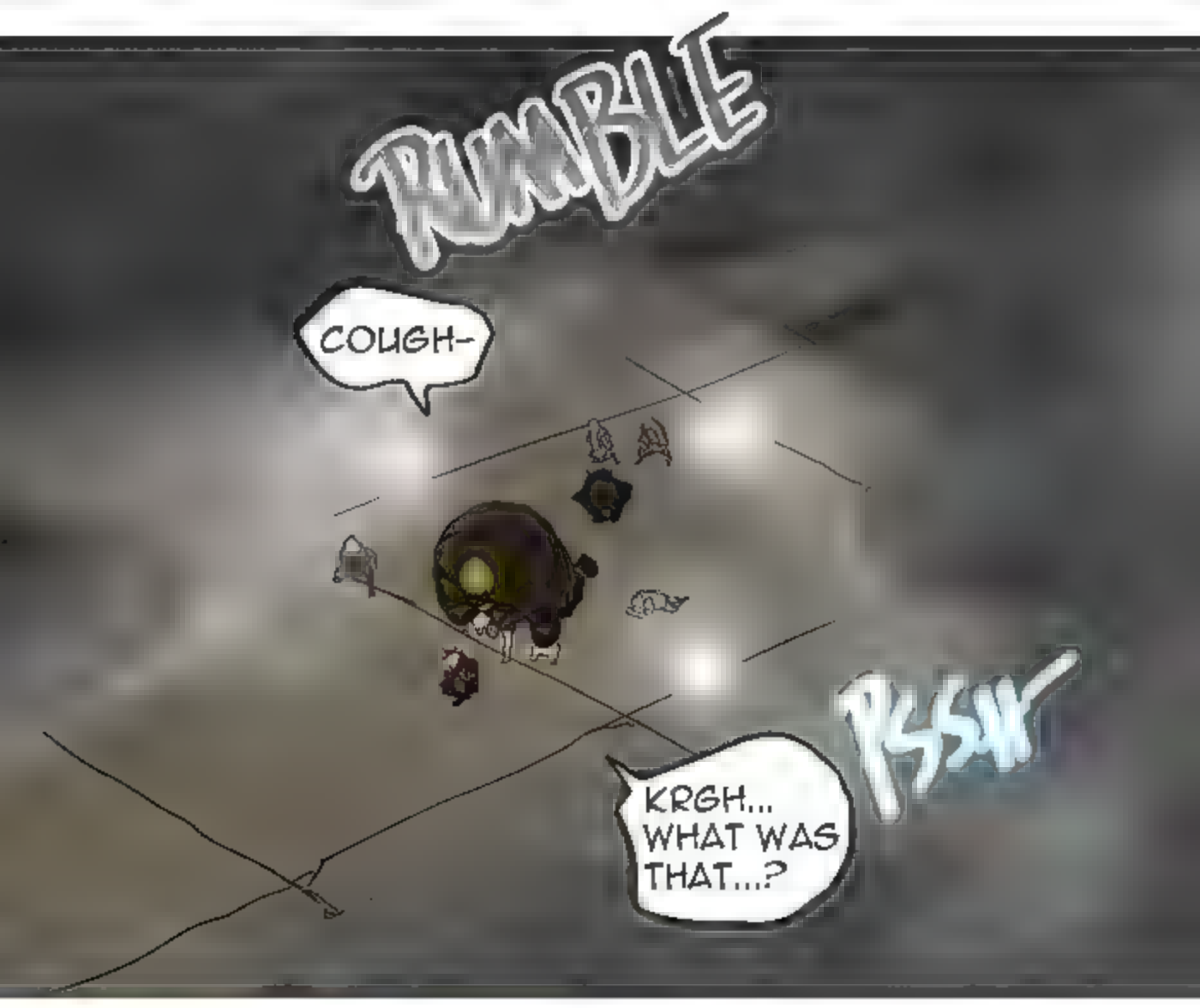
RUMBLE
!
W...WHAT WAS THAT?!

A.A.
I STOPPED THE TRAIN FOR NOW.
CALL
OF COURSE, IT WILL START MOVING SOON ENOUGH...
BUT, IF IT'S THAT RAPID FLOATING SHIP, IT WILL GET HERE IN TIME.

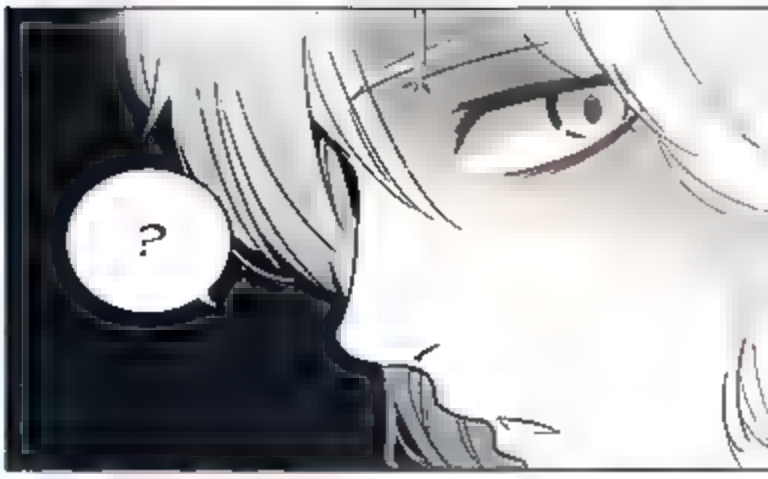
THIS WILL PROBABLY BE REPORTED TO MY FATHER .
YOU OWE ME BIG FOR THIS, SO I EXPECT YOU
TO KEEP YOUR PROMISE.

ALRIGHT.
I PROMISE I'LL PAY YOU BACK.

SHOOOR
LET'S GO..!
TO THE TRAIN..!!


RUMBLE
COUGH-
KRGH... WHAT WAS THAT...?
PSSH

DAMN..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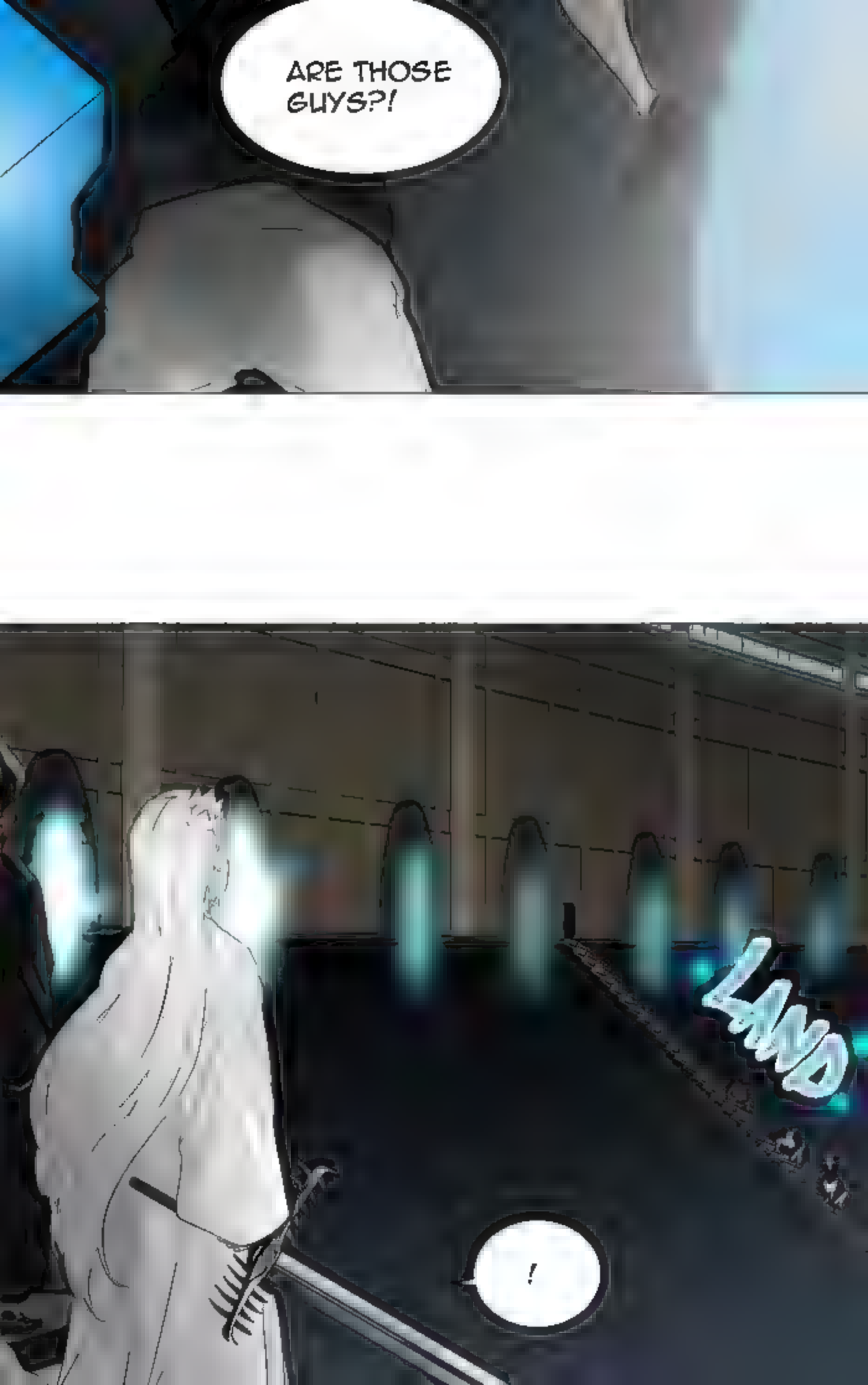
WHAT'S GOING ON..?
...LIGHT?!
WHO THE HELL..

LINE Webtoon

Woosh
WHO THE HELL...


ARE THOSE GUYS?!
AND
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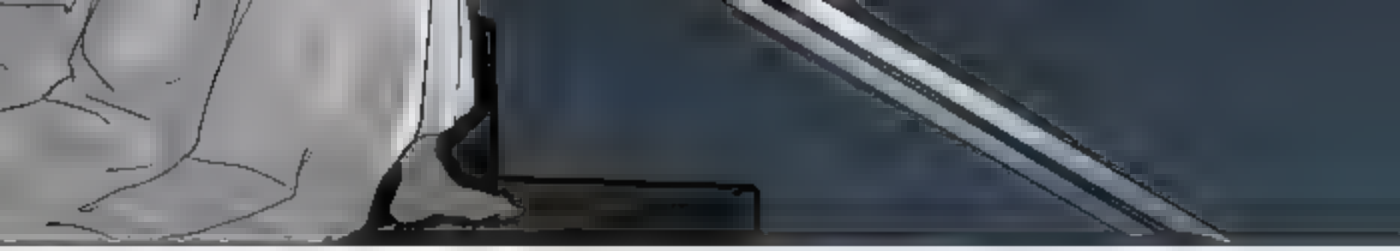
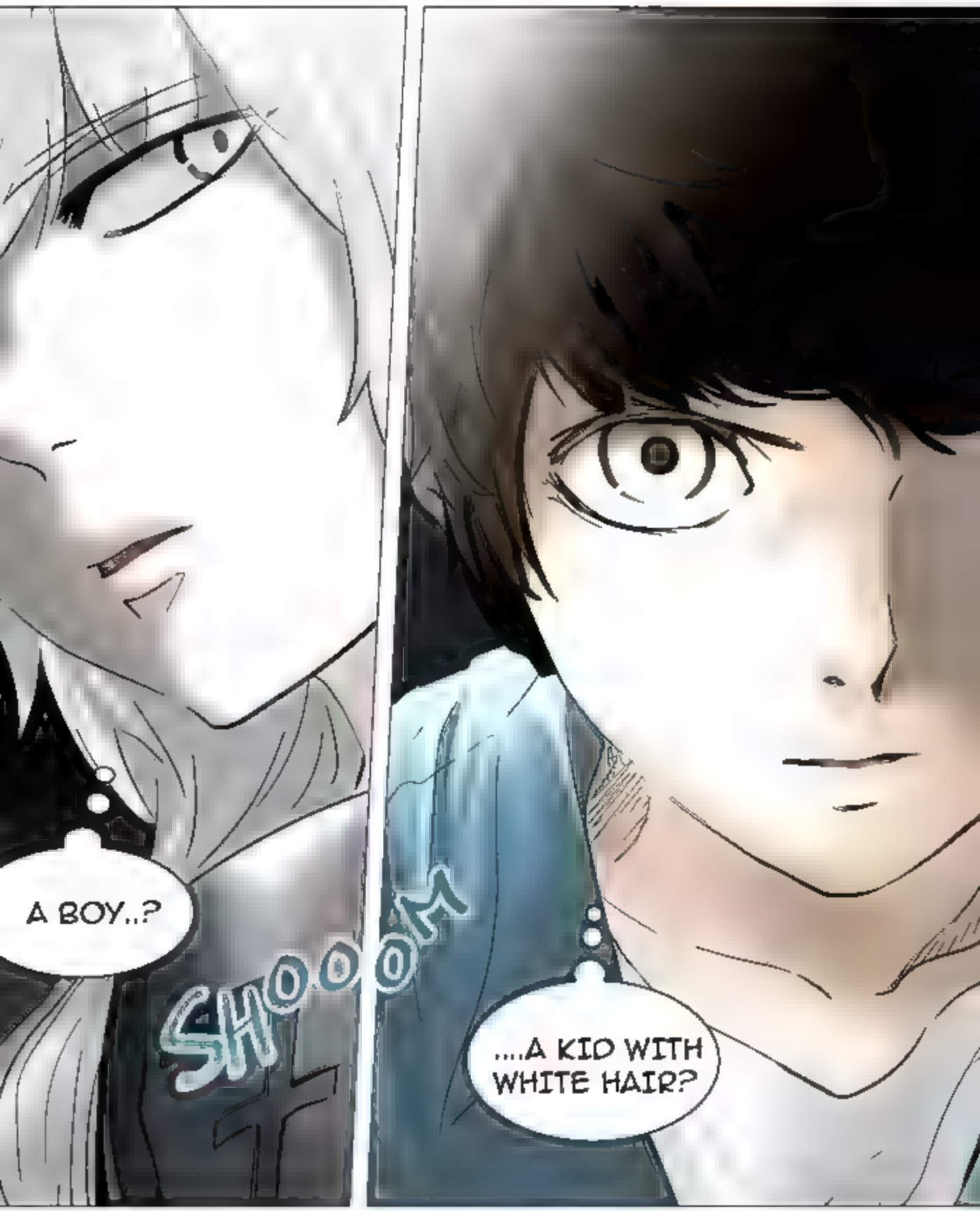


RUMBLE
!!!


A BOY..?
SHOOM
....A KID WITH WHITE HAIR?

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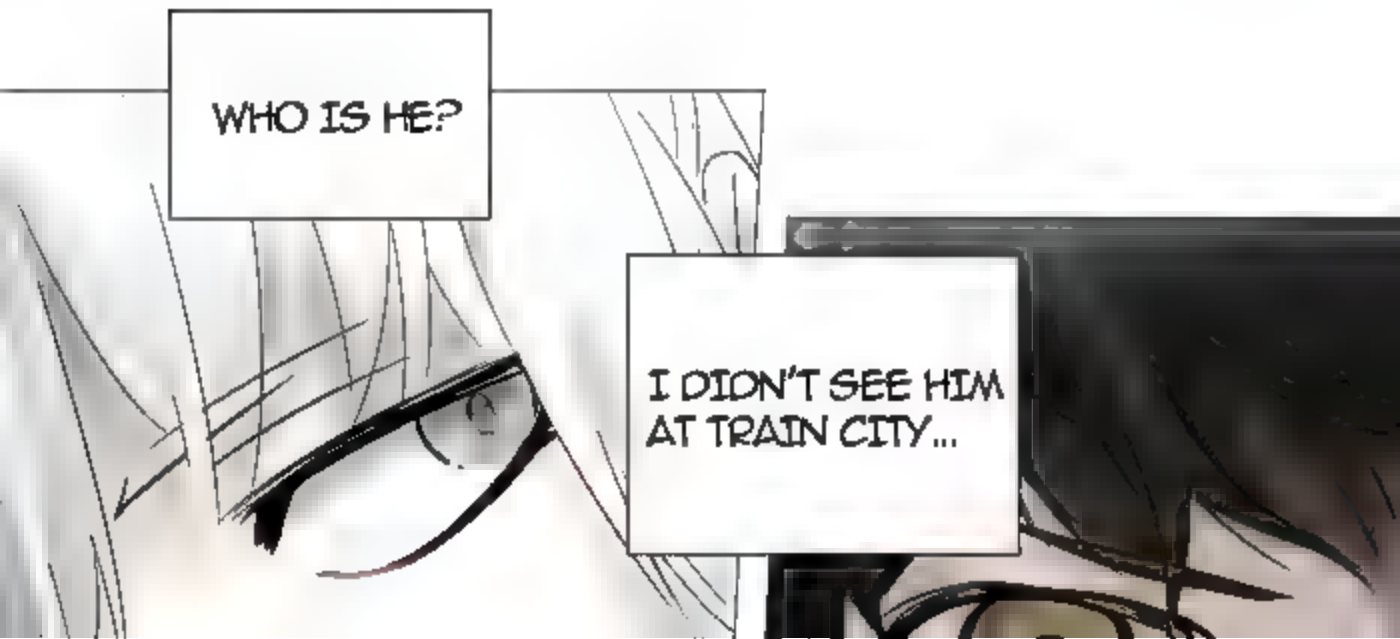
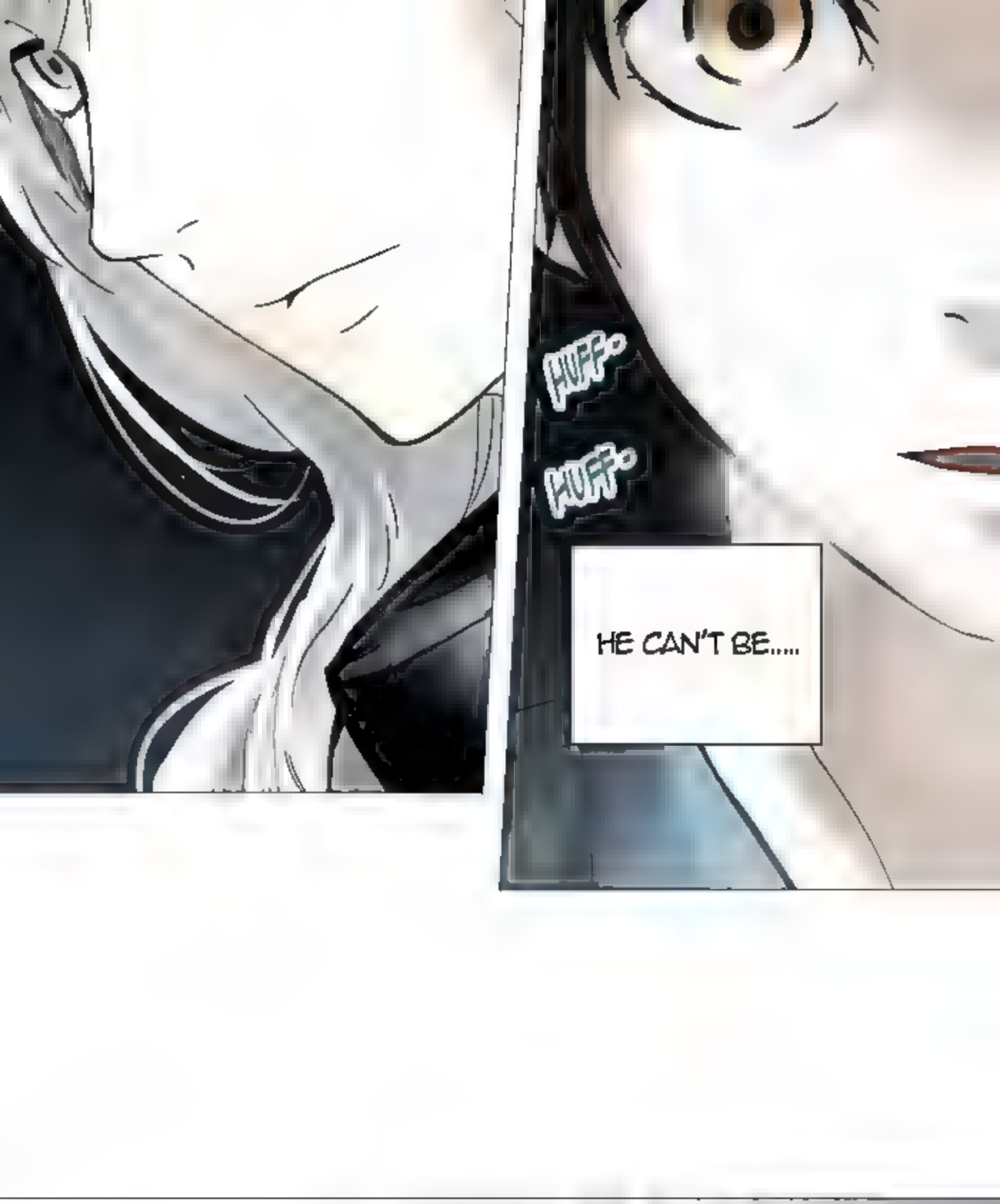
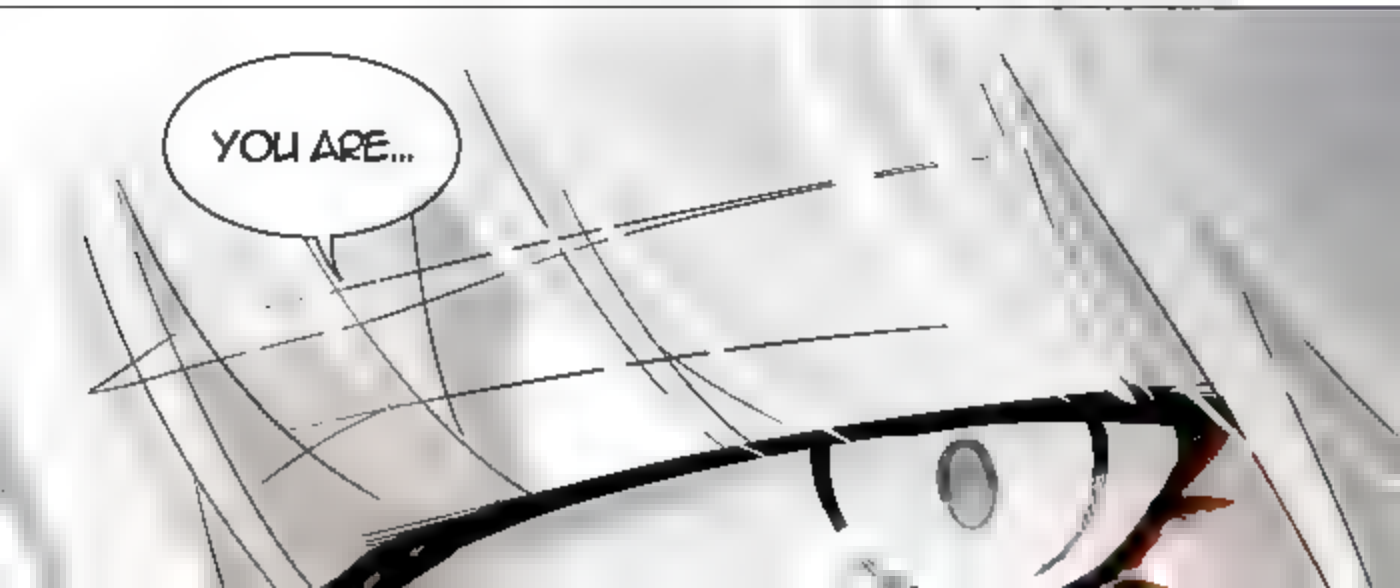
SHOOSH

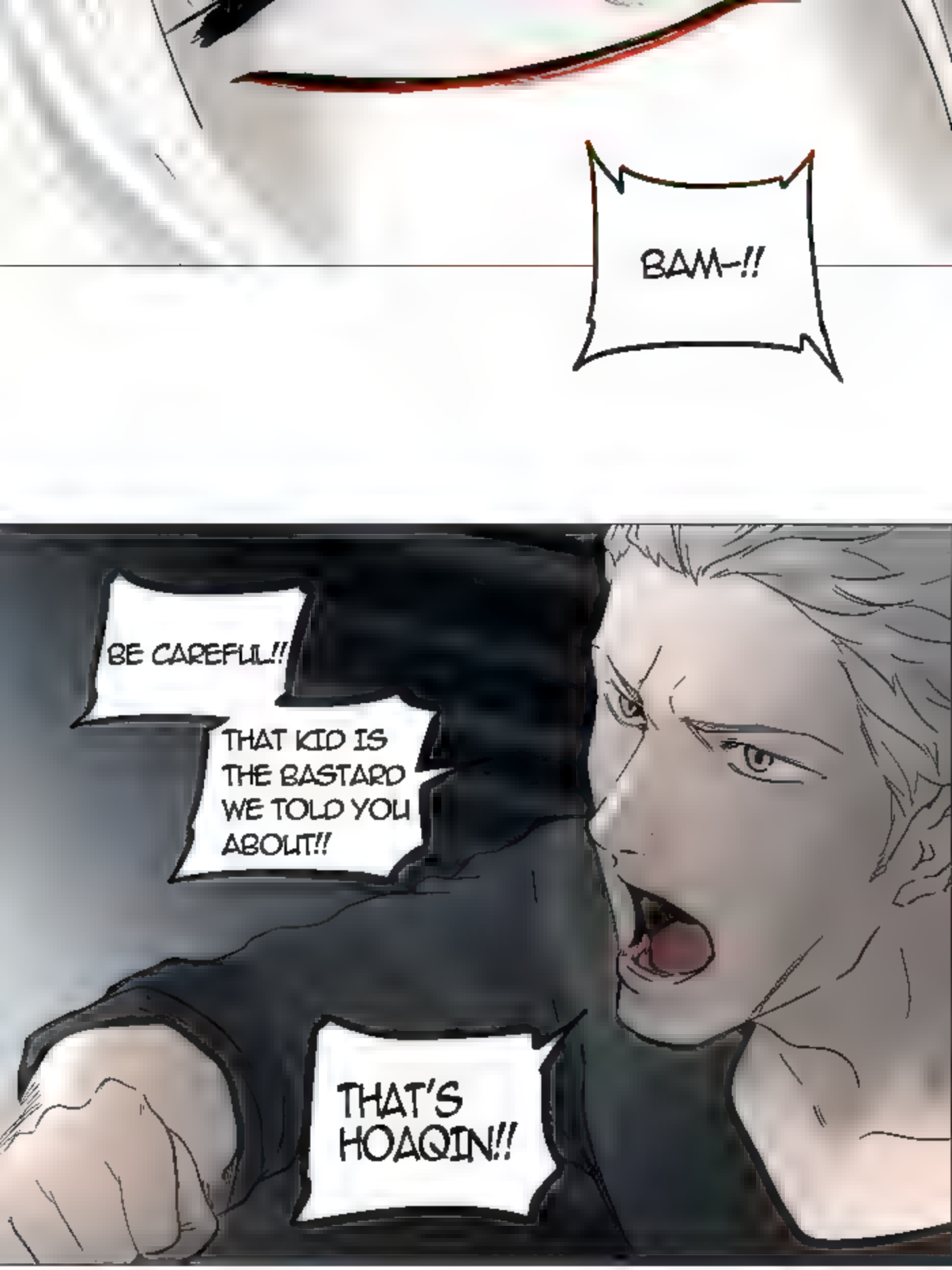
SHOOSH
WHAT?
WHO'S THAT
WHITE KID...?

JUE VIOLE GRACE..!!
HOW DID HE GET HERE SO FAST..?!
SO FAST
OH.. THOSE GUYS...
THEY WERE AT THE TRAIN CITY.

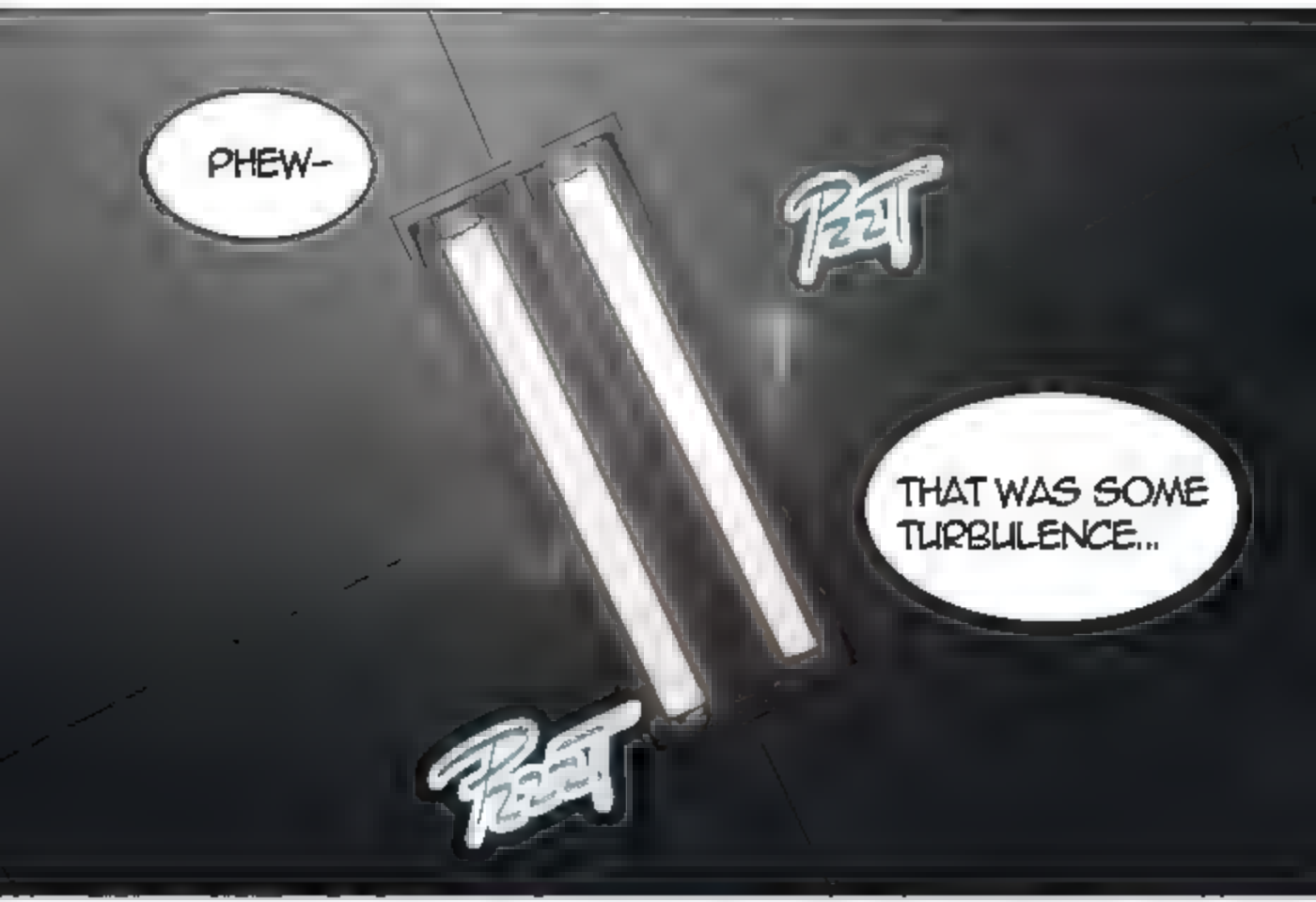

WHO IS HE?
I DIDN'T SEE HIM AT TRAIN CITY...


HUFF.
HUFF.
HE CAN'T BE.....


YOU ARE...


BAM-!!
BE CAREFUL!!
THAT KID IS THE BASTARD WE TOLD YOU ABOUT!!
THAT'S HOAQIN!!

THE FUG GUYS...
ALREADY AWAKENED HOAQIN!!
!!
THAT KID IS HIM?!



IT SEEMS LIKE SOMETHING HAS HAPPENED OUTSIDE.

IT'S PAST THE DEPARTING TIME, BUT THEY AREN'T MAKING ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DEPARTURE...
SHOULDN'T WE GO OUT AND CHECK?
I GUESS WE SHOULD..

WHAT ABOUT THESE GUYS?

HEHEH! I SEE! THEN, LET'S GO!

STUMP-
I TIED THEM UP TIGHTLY, SO DON'T WORRY.
STUMP-
IF THEY HAD THE ABILITY TO UNTIE THE ROPE AND ESCAPE, THEY WOULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN CAUGHT IN THE FIRST PLACE.

.....
I'M WORRIED IF THE OLD MAN IS STILL ALIVE-

SHOOSH

THEY...
SHOOOU
FLEW AWAY
SO DAMN FAST
RIDING SHINSU!

I HOPE THEY
ARRIVED SAFELY.

.....

WELL... LET'S HOPE THEY DID...

THAT LITTLE KID IS... HOAQIN?

RACHEL...
ARE YOU THE ONE WHO HAS AWAKENED HIM?
.....

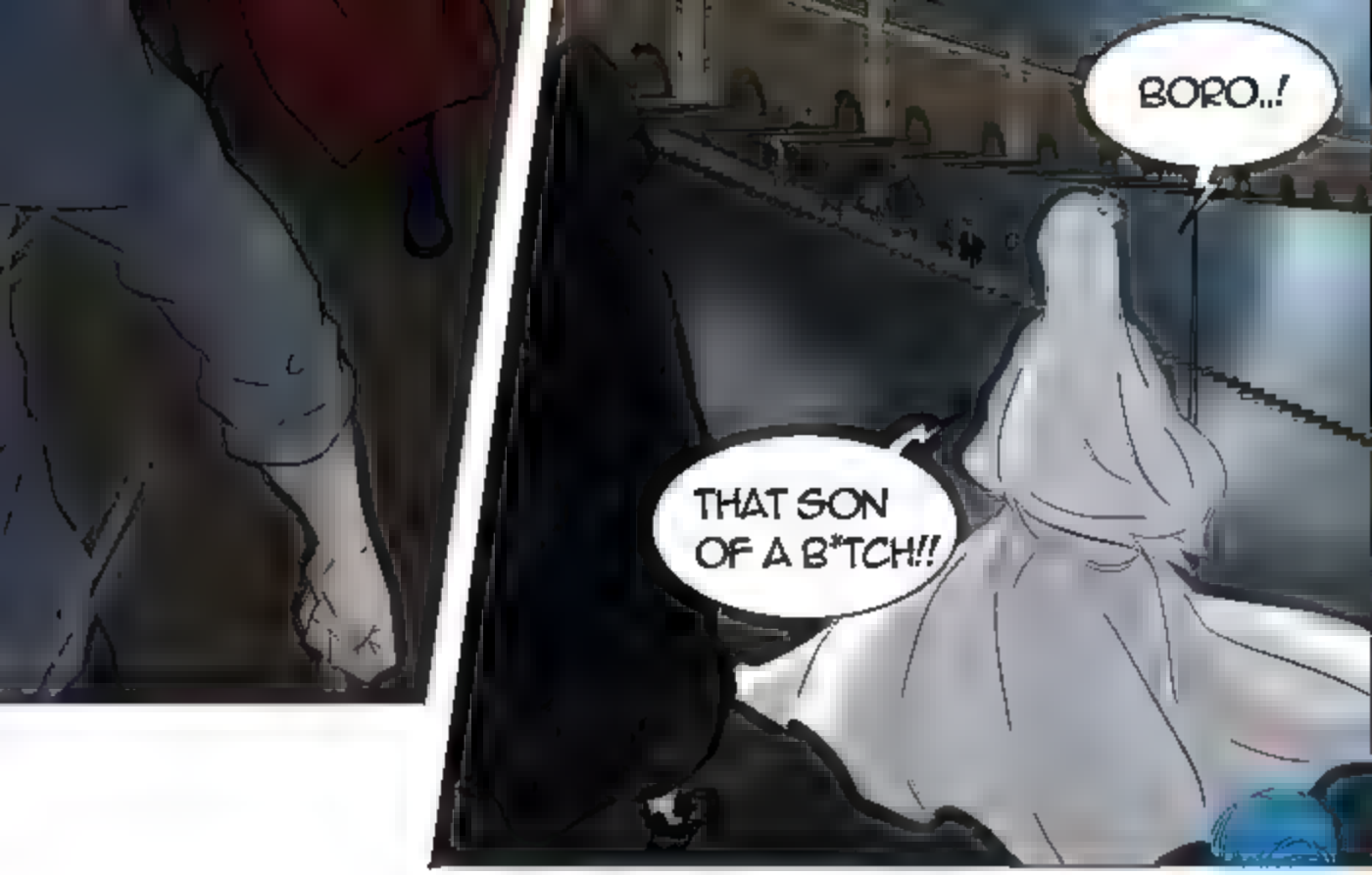
WHAT?! THAT TURTLE IS HOAQIN?!
BLIT, WHAT'S THAT-

DAMN IT! YOU SAID HE'S STRONG, SO I THOUGHT HE'D BE WORTH IT TO HUNT!
SQUASHED-RICE-CAKE-LOOKING GUY WHO WOULDN'T EVEN BE ENOUGH TO FEED A FLY?!
WHAT!? DID YOU JUST CALL ME SQUASHED-RICE-CAKE-LOOKING?!!
I'M NOT A CROCODILE! I'M RAK WRAITHRAISER!!
DOES THAT CROCODILE HAVE A DEATH WISH OR WHAT?!

BAM!!
KHUN!!

DANIEL!!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING RIGHT NOW?!!

...SACHI..


BORO..!
THAT SON OF A B*TCH!!

KABOOM

BORO-!!
I'LL NEVER LET YOU GET ON THE TRAIN!!
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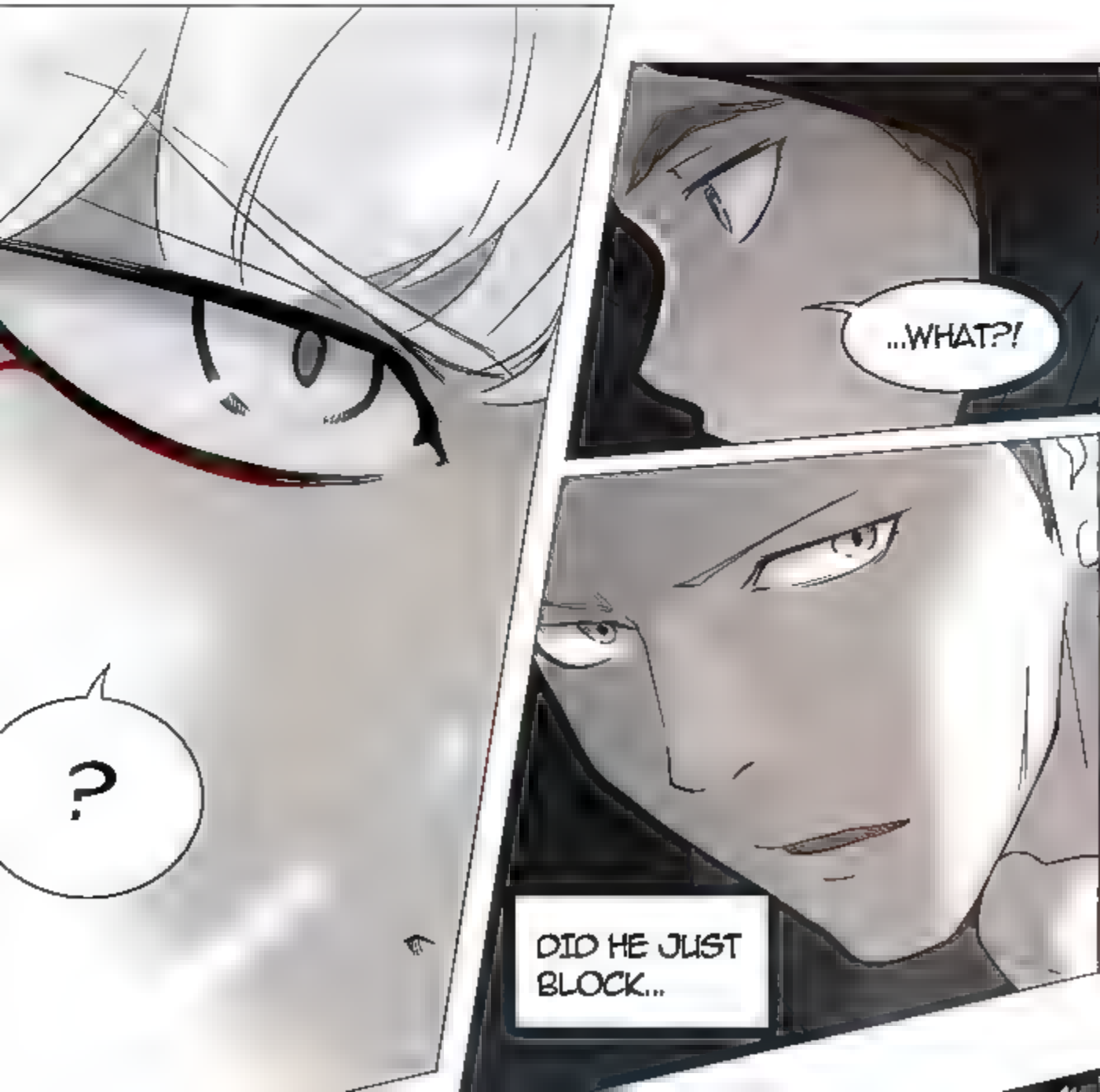
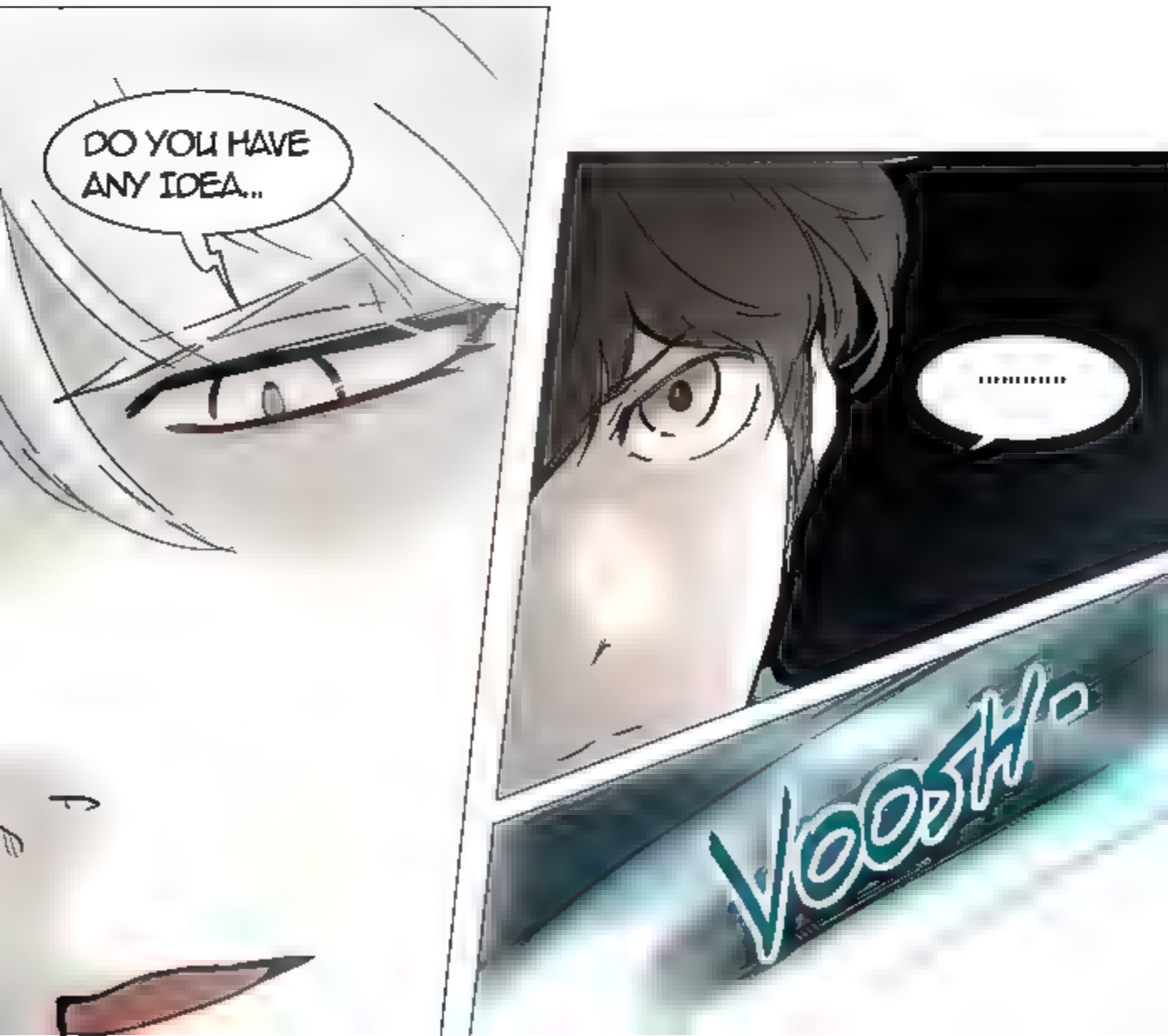

...WHAT?!
?
DID HE JUST BLOCK...

HOAQIN'S...
SWORD?!

STUMP


DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA...
.....
VOOSH!

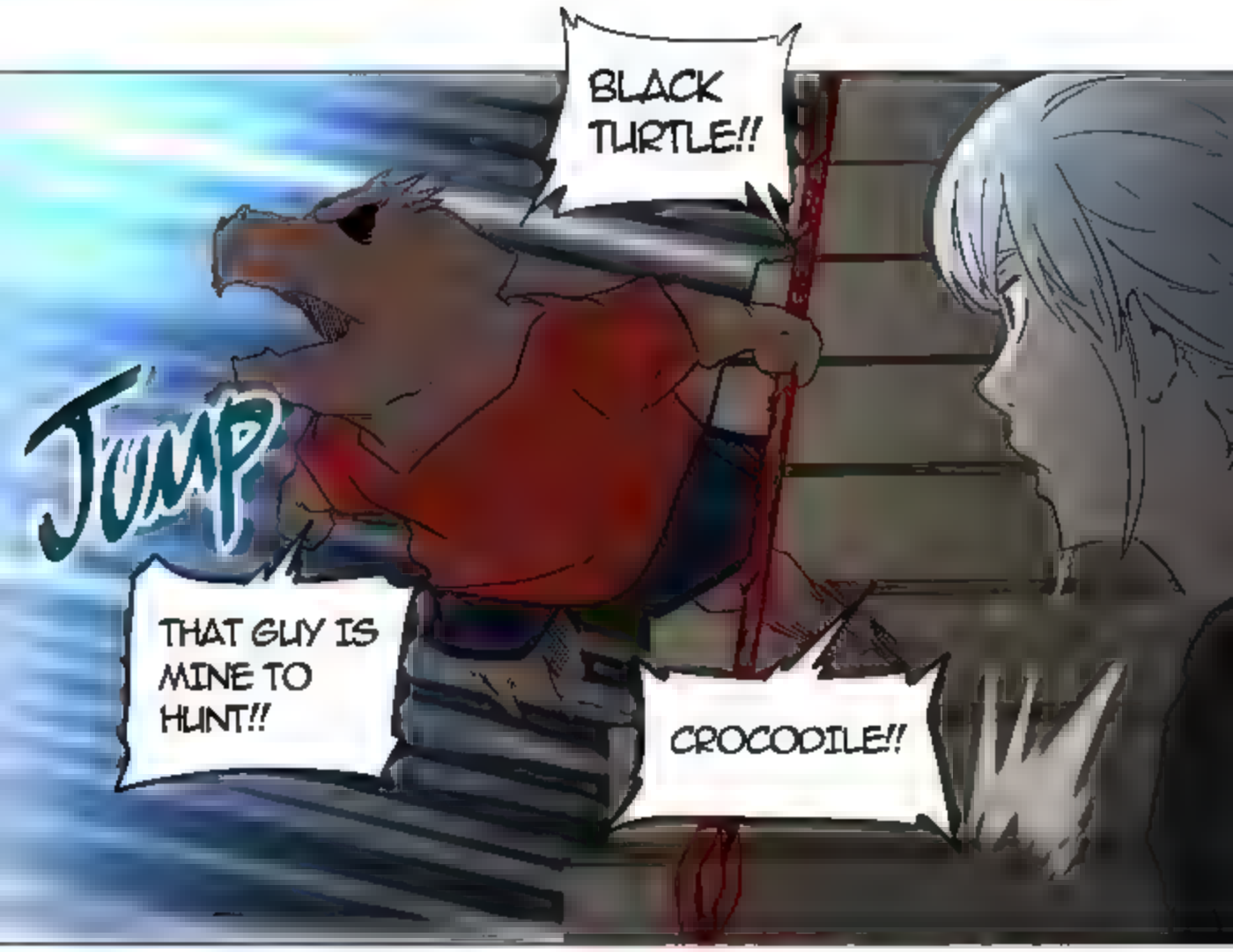
WHOSE WAY YOU'RE GETTING IN THE WAY OF?
YOU LITTLE-
SRAK

I WILL TAKE YOUR LIFE!
SHOOSH

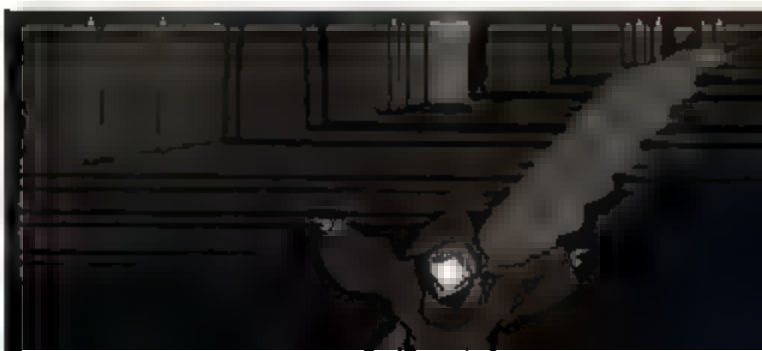
.....!
HE FLEW?!

SHOOSH

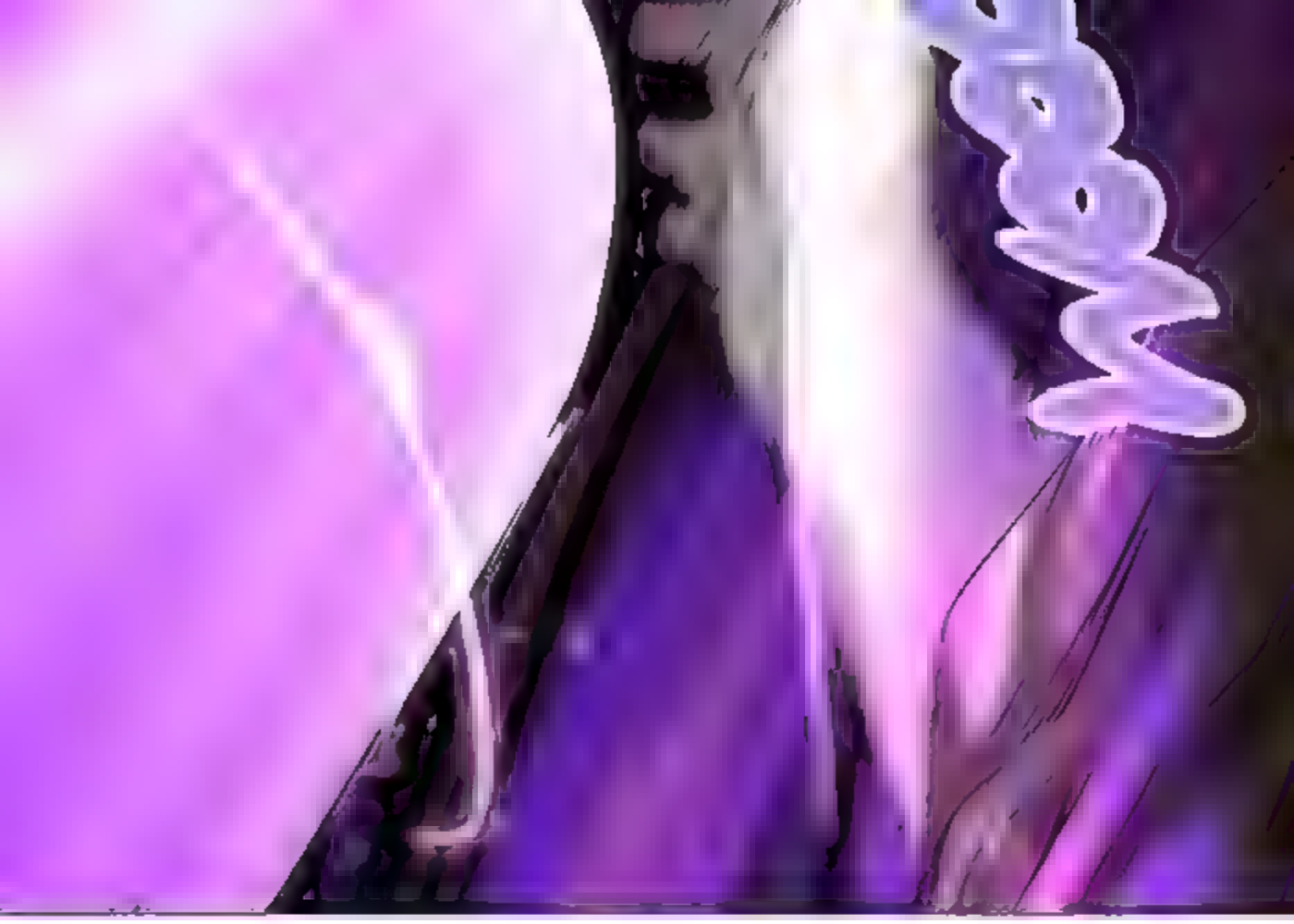
HE DID THAT EARLIER, TOO. WHAT KIND OF SKILL IS THAT?!


BLACK TURTLE!!
JUMP
THAT GUY IS MINE TO HUNT!!
CROCODILE!!

HEY! COME BACK!!
GETTING ON THE TRAIN IS TOP PRIORITY RIGHT NOW!



FLOAT
FLOAT
THAT'S MY PREY!! LEAVE IT ALONE!
YOU CRAZY FOOL!!
TAP
TAP
?
?

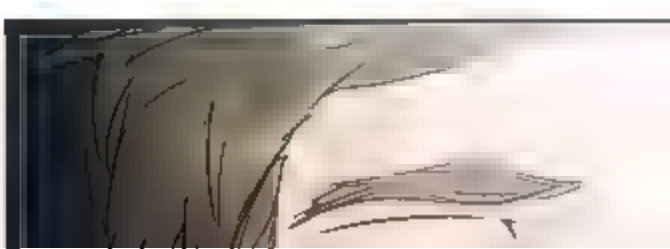


AAARGH-

CROCODILE!!

STEP

BANG
!



DAMN IT!
THAT STUPID
CROCODILE!

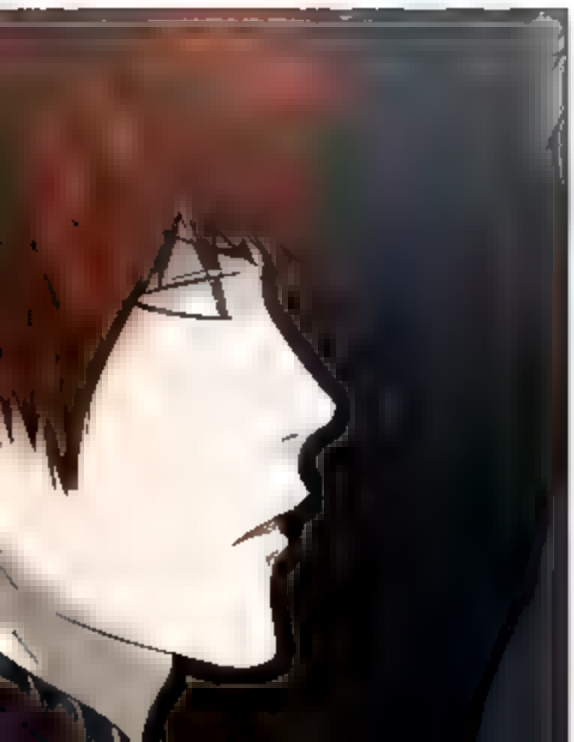
THAT LOUD
CROCODILE
WON'T BE GETTING
ON THE TRAIN NOW
I GUESS.
KRGH-!!

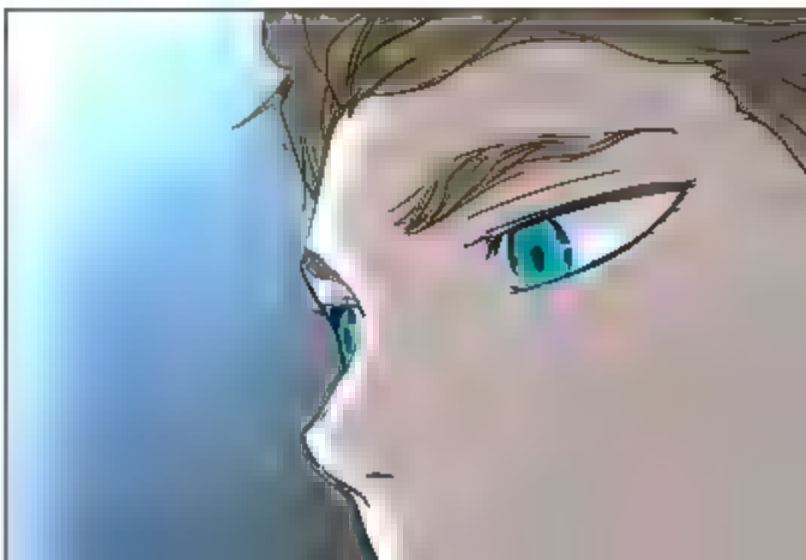
WHY WASTE
YOUR TIME BY
COMING HERE,
KIDS...?

DO YOU THINK JUE VIOLE GRACE'S POTENTIAL WOULD BE ENOUGH TO HANDLE US?

HIS EXPLOSIVE POWER AT TRAIN CITY WAS JUST A COINCIDENCE.

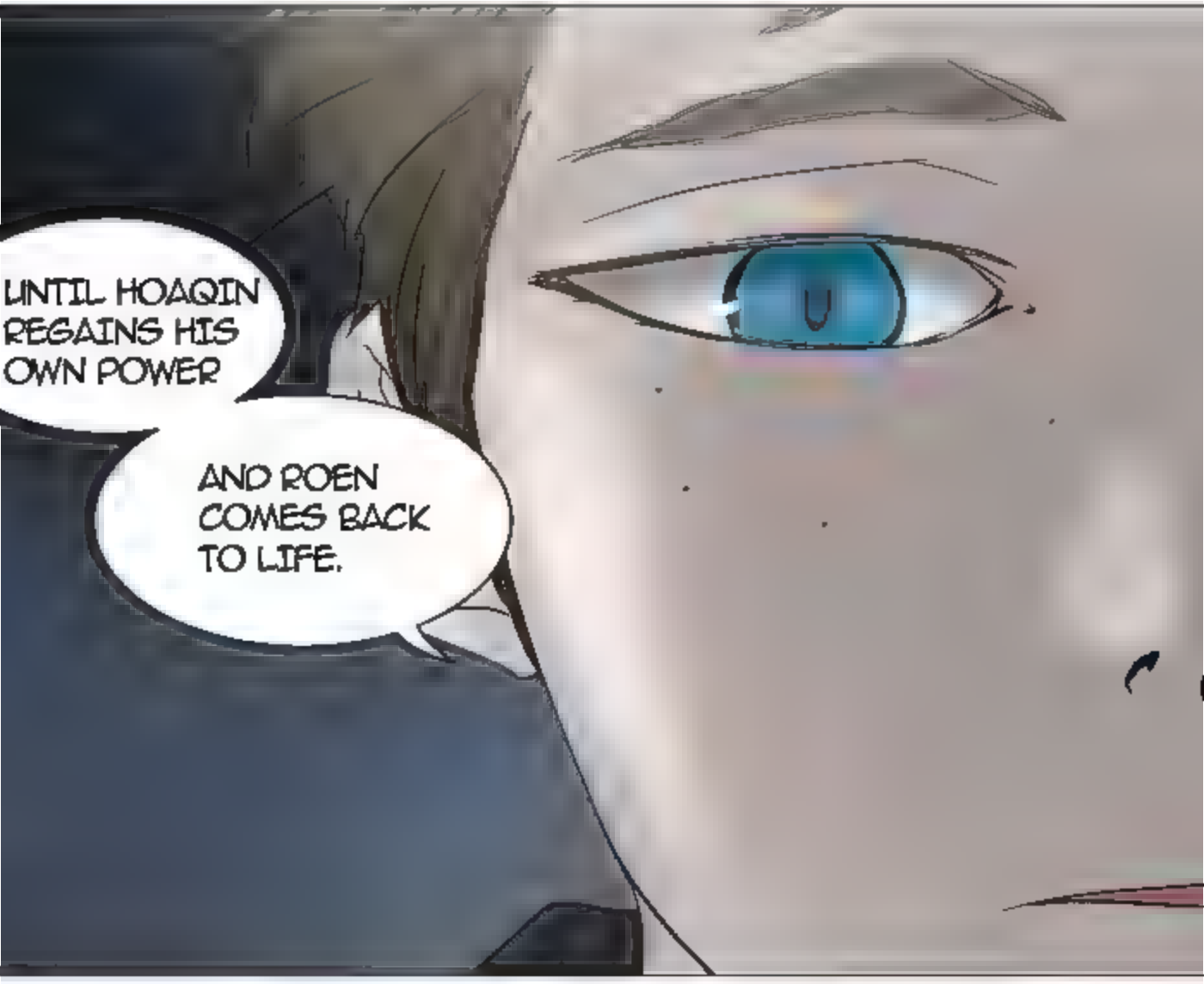
YOU NEVER HAD, AND NEVER WILL HAVE A POSSIBILITY TO BEAT US IN FIGHT, ESPECIALLY NOW THAT HOAQIN IS AWAKE.





DANIEL..
YOU...
LONG TIME
NO SEE,
SACHI.
SKEP

SORRY TO SAY THIS WHEN YOU HAVE COME ALL THIS WAY,
BUT I HAVE NO INTENTION OF LETTING YOU GUYS TO GET ON THE TRAIN YET.
NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU TRY TO STOP US,
GO BACK.
WE WILL TAKE THE CONTROL OVER THE TRAIN.
.....THAT GUY..
HAS STILL BEEN FOLLOWING ME?
YURA!!


UNTIL HOAQIN REGAINS HIS OWN POWER
AND ROEN COMES BACK TO LIFE.

THAT CRAZY BASTARD...

JUST A SEC.. KHUN FAMILY, WE NEED TO TALK.

HOLD'

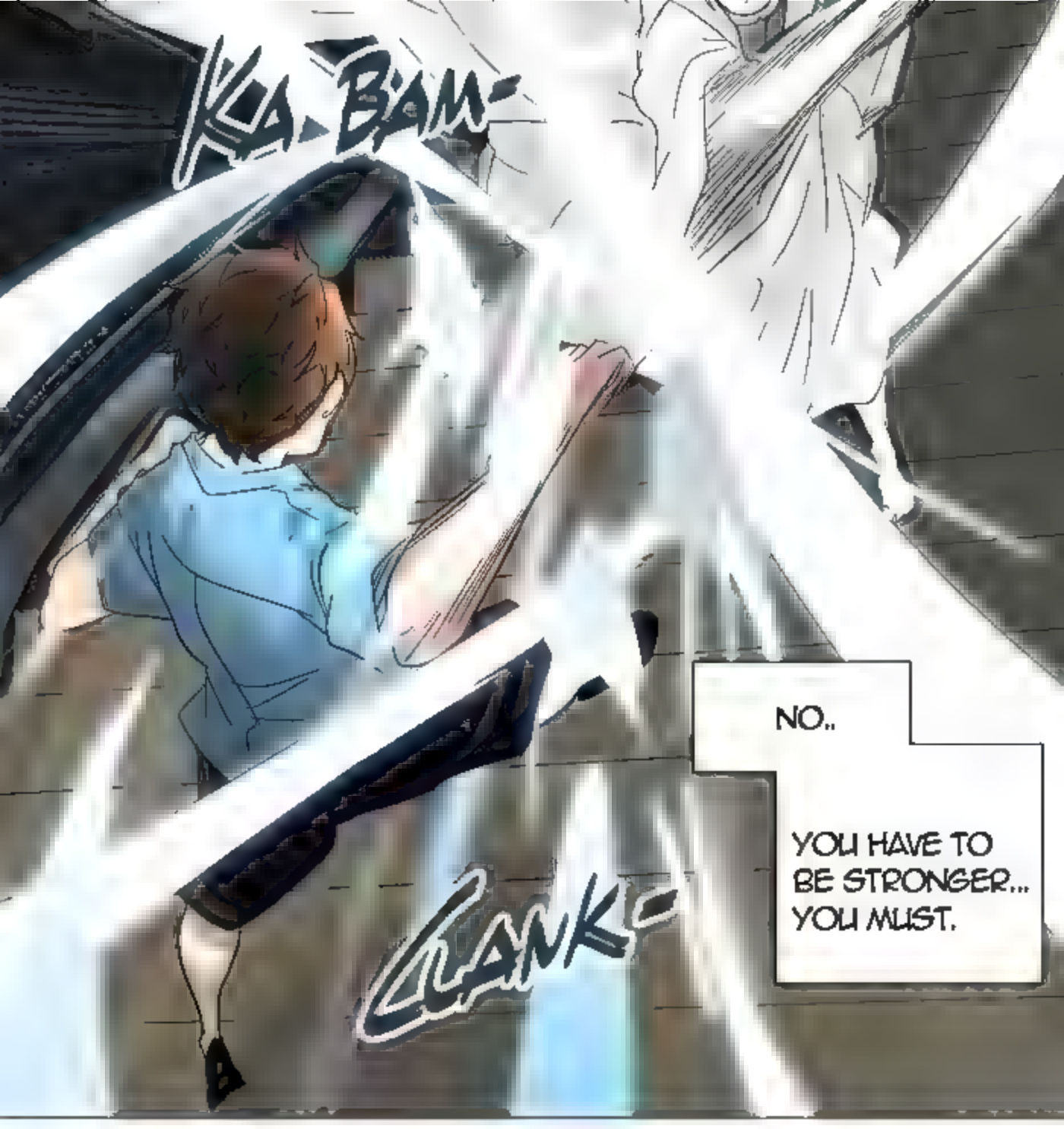
SINCE IT'S OUR JOB...

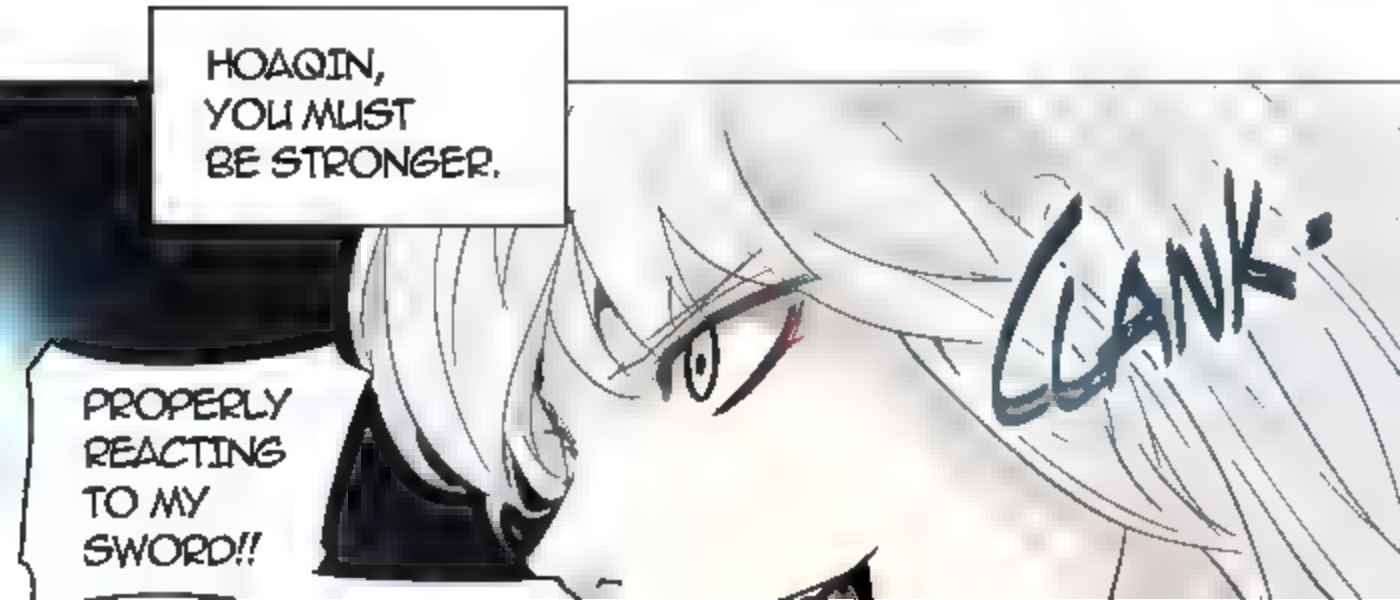
?

IS TO MAKE HIM COME BACK TO HIS SENSES.

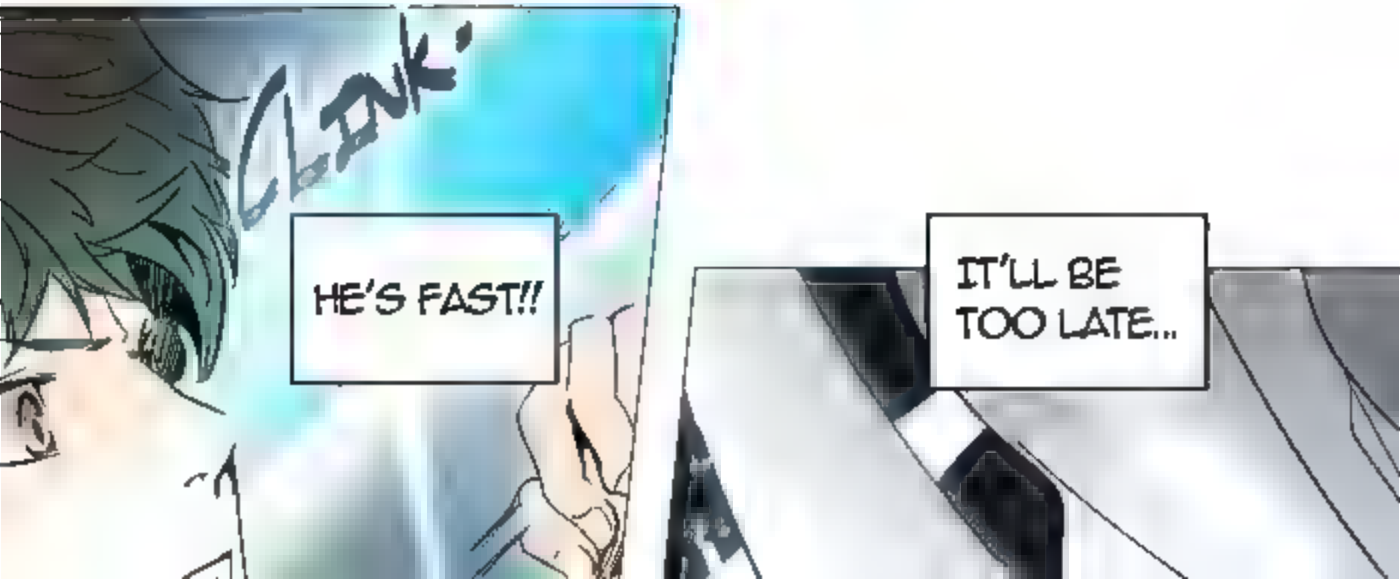
CLANK-
CLING-
CLANK-

ARE THEY FIGHTING NECK AND NECK..?
CLINK-


KA-BAM-
NO..
YOU HAVE TO BE STRONGER... YOU MUST.
CLANK-


HOAQIN, YOU MUST BE STRONGER.
PROPERLY REACTING TO MY SWORD!!
CLANK-

THE "SWORD" I CHOSE-



CLANK
WHAT'S MORE, THE POWER OF THE SWORD HE'S SWINGING IS TREMENDOUS...!
I CAN BARELY REACT TO IT EVEN BY USING SHINSU REINFORCEMENT.
IF I REACT TO HIS SWORD AFTER READING IT...!
IF I CAN'T KEEP THIS UP FOR LONG,
KRRRR
I SHOULD FINISH THIS WITH-

!!

FPPP

ONE ATTACK-!!

SWOOSH

!!

THAT SKILL IS...

FLARE WAVE EXPLOSION..!

I SEE..

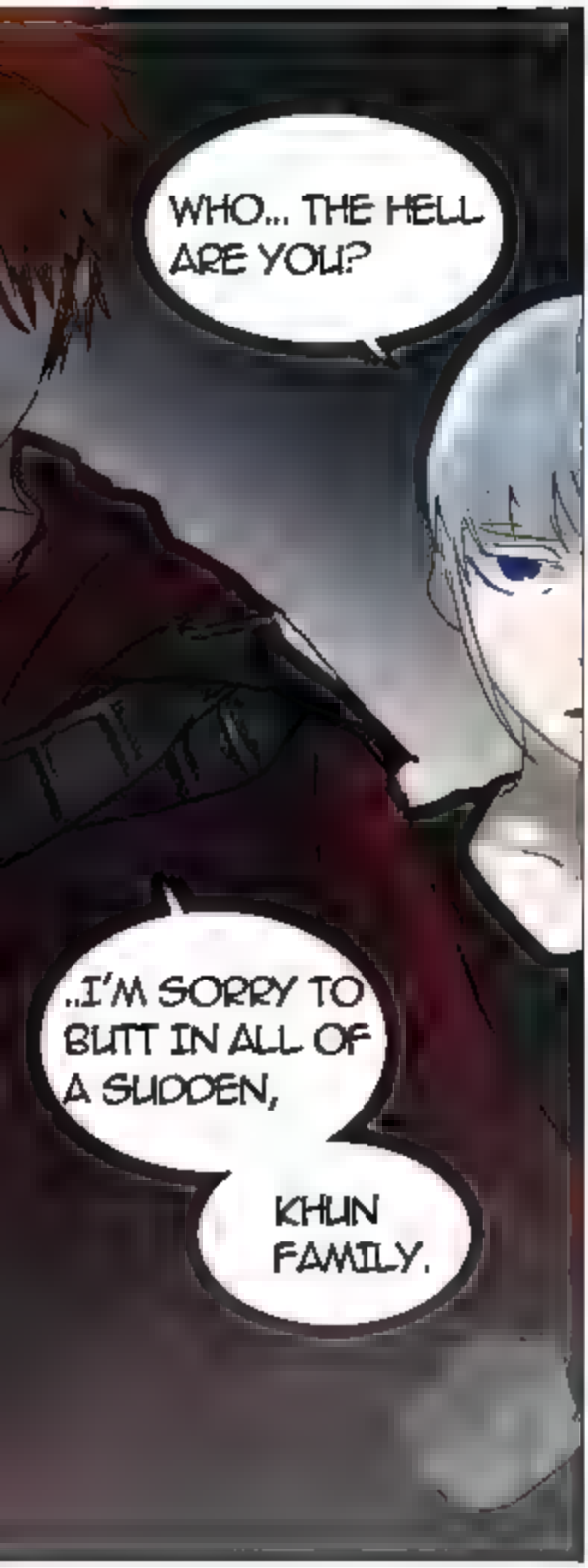
GRAB

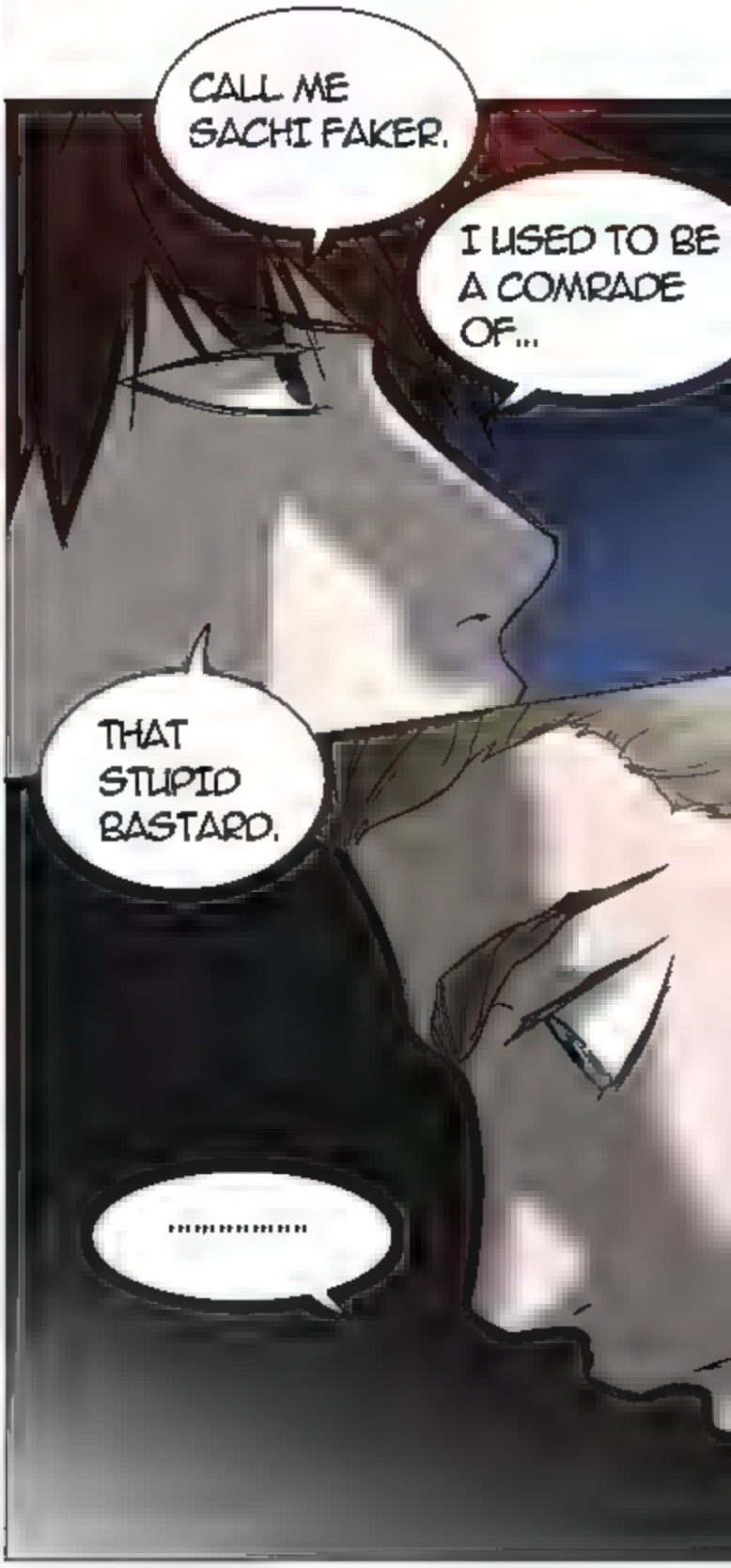
SO, YOU MUST BE -

JUE VIOLE GRACE!!

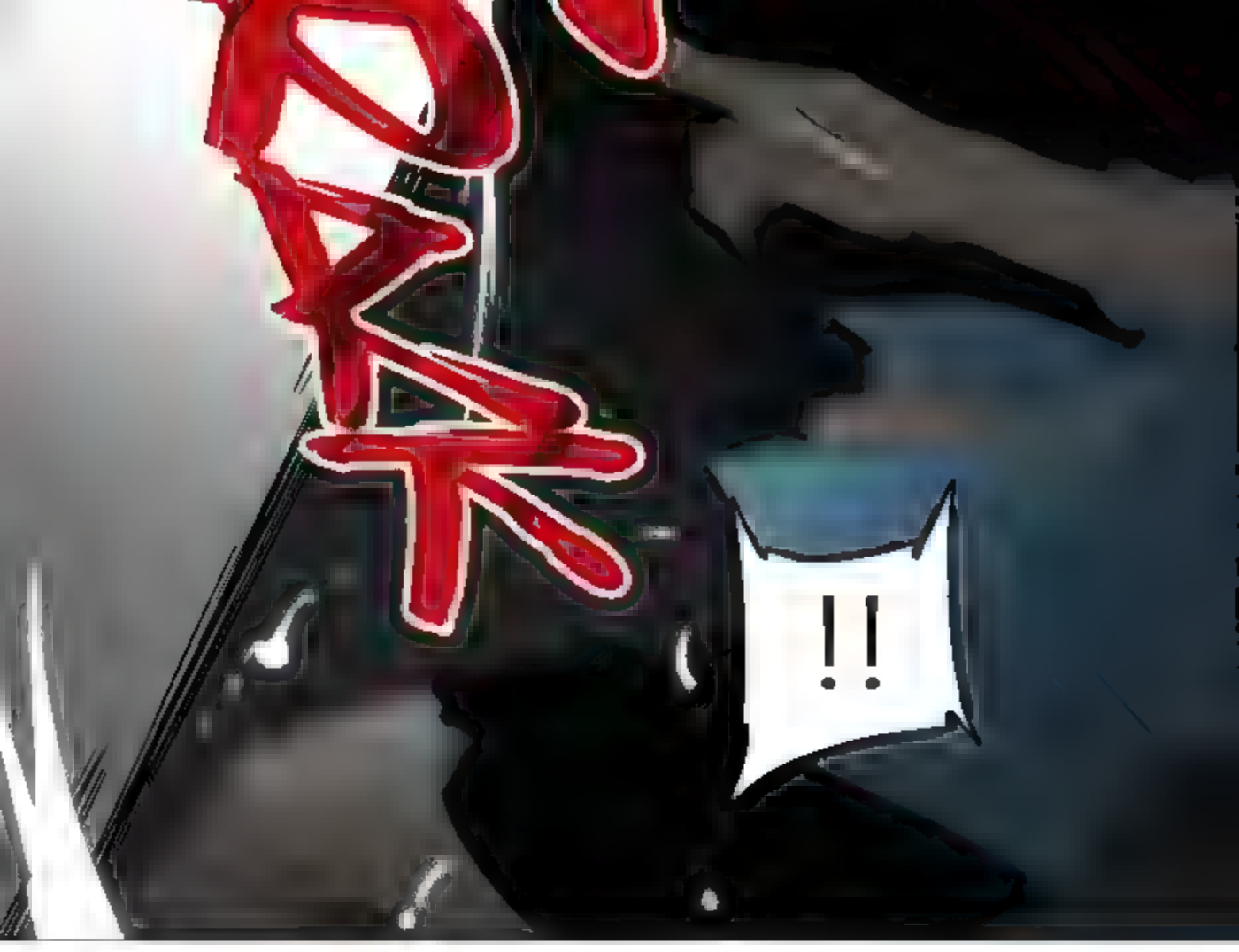
LINE Webtoon

SHOOSH-


WHO... THE HELL ARE YOU?
..I'M SORRY TO BUTT IN ALL OF A SUDDEN,
KHUN FAMILY.

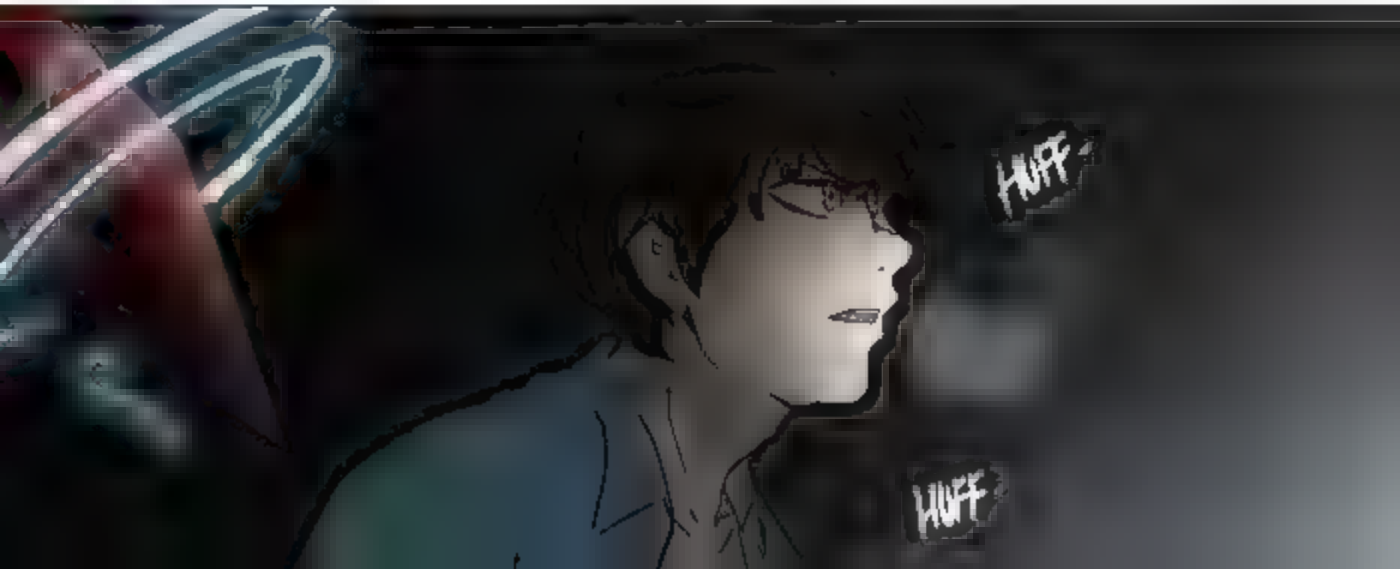

CALL ME SACHI FAKER.
I USED TO BE A COMRADE OF...
THAT STUPID BASTARD.
.....

SACHI FAKER..?
ONE OF THE THREE STRONGEST D-CLASS REGULARS... SACHI FAKER...?
AND HE IS RELATED WITH THOSE GUYS?
KRGH-!!


!!

WOOSH

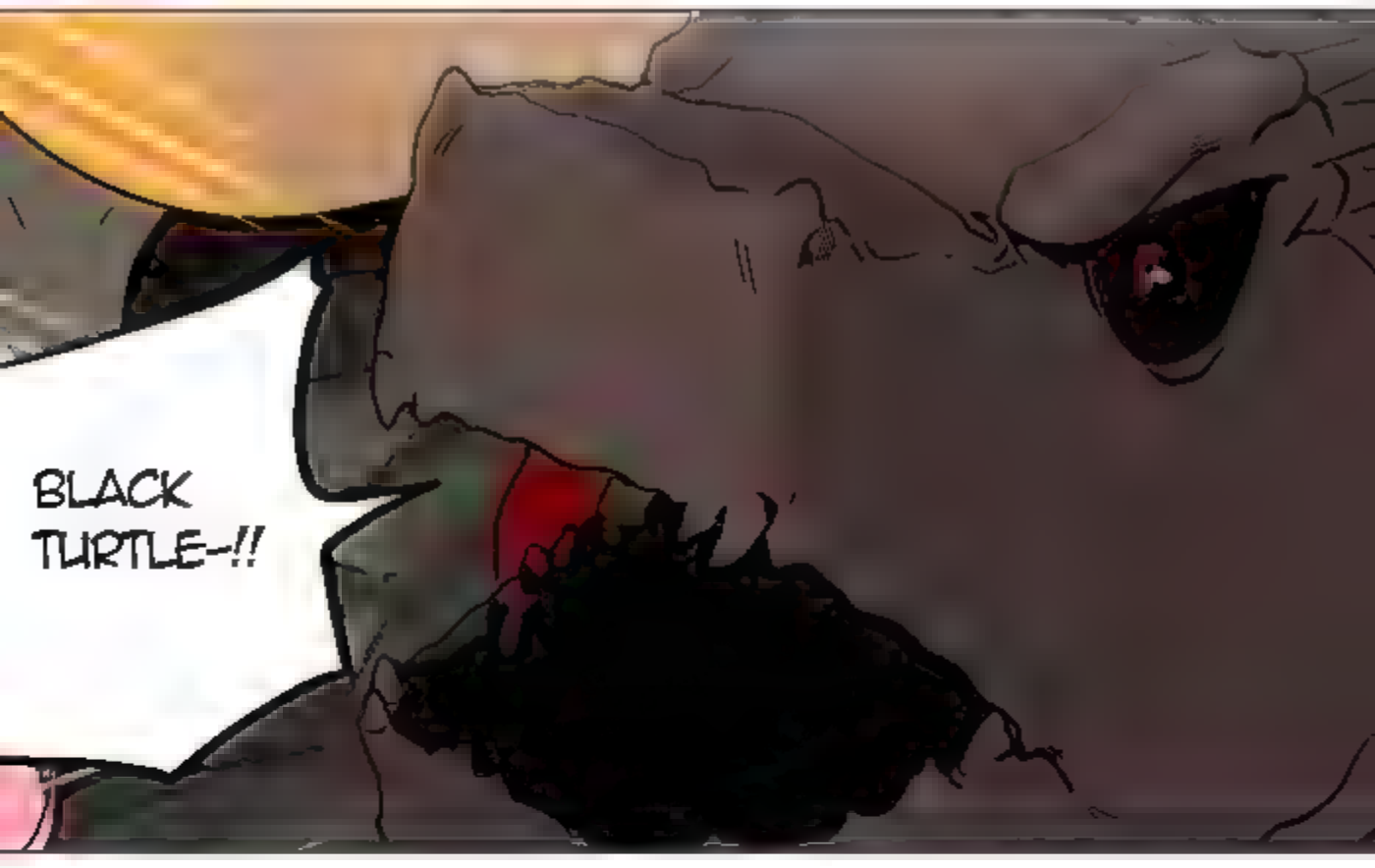
BAM-?!
TAP
KRGH-!!

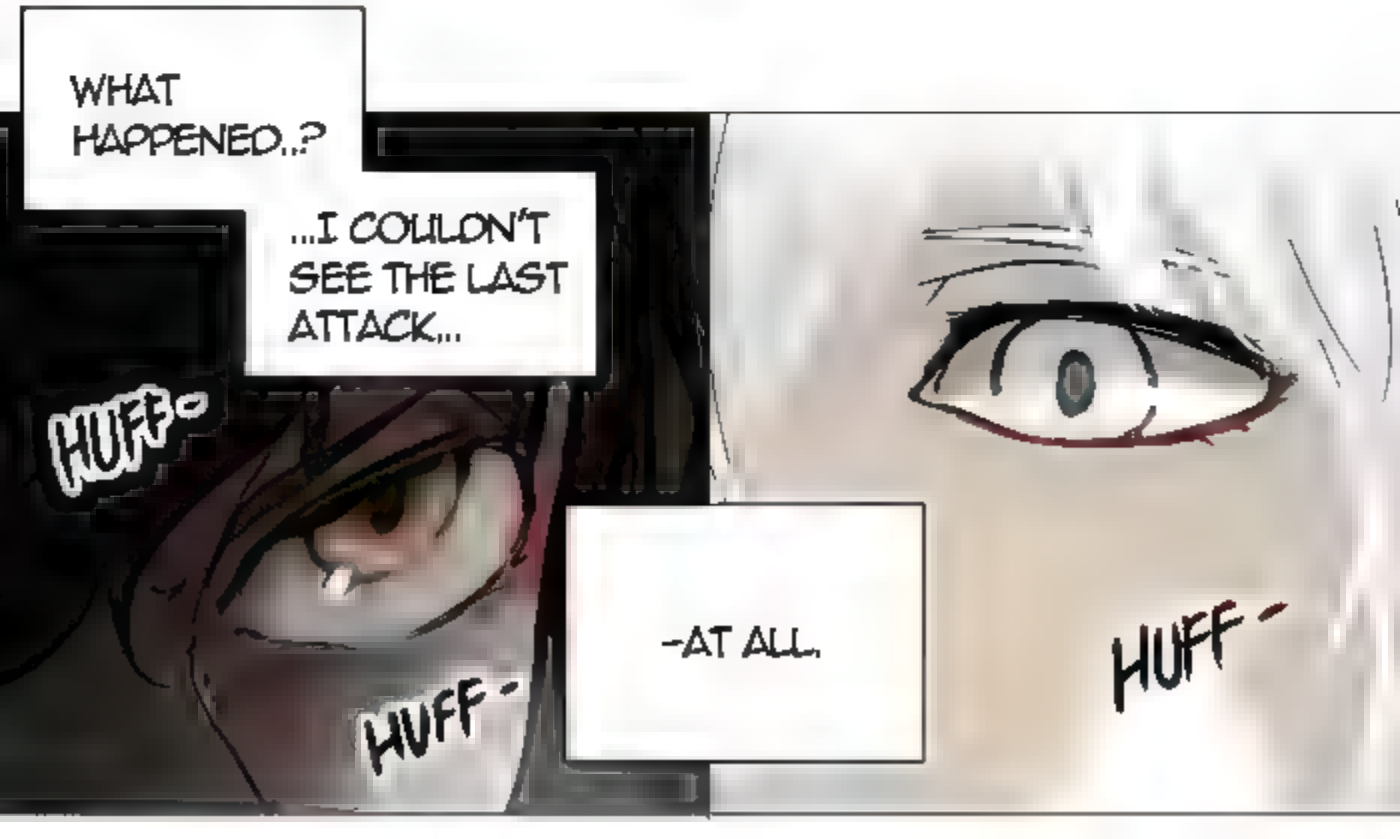

HUFF
HUFF

BAM-!!

Tower of God

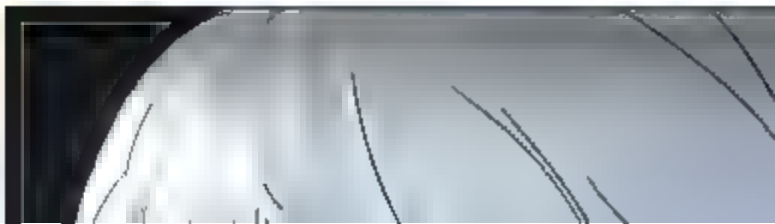
PANT-
PANT-
HUFF-
HUFF-


BLACK TURTLE-!!


WHAT HAPPENED..?
...I COULDN'T SEE THE LAST ATTACK...
HUFF-
HUFF-
-AT ALL.
HUFF-

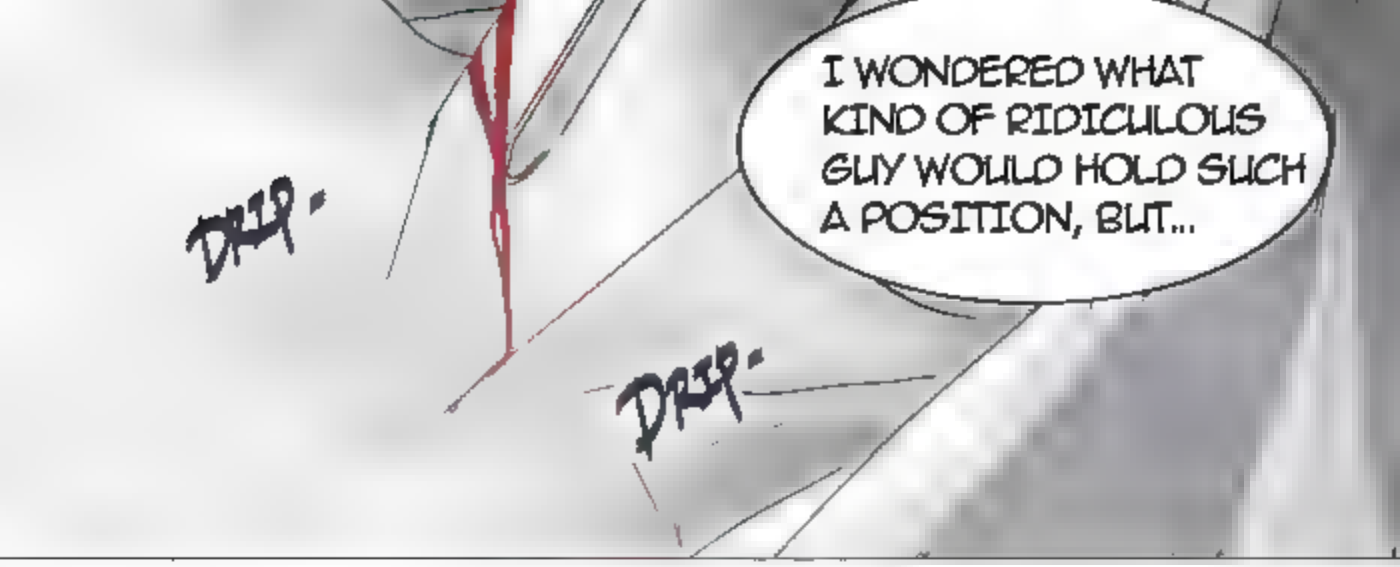
BAM!!
LEAP

I THINK
YOU SHOULD BE
DEALING WITH ME,

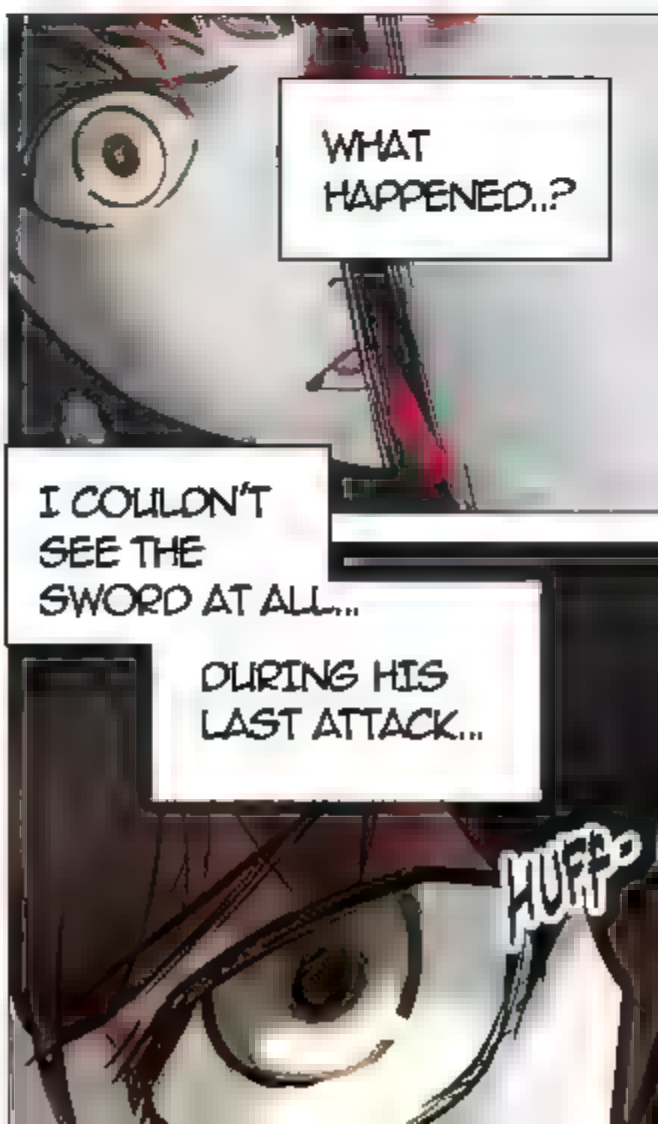


MR. KHUN.
TAP
.....YURA HA!

AS I HEARD THAT THERE'S A NEW SLAYER NOMINEE,


I WONDERED WHAT KIND OF RIDICULOUS GUY WOULD HOLD SUCH A POSITION, BUT...
DRIP-
DRIP-

IT WAS YOU, BLACK HAIR.


WHAT HAPPENED..?
I COULDN'T SEE THE SWORD AT ALL...
DURING HIS LAST ATTACK...
HUFF-

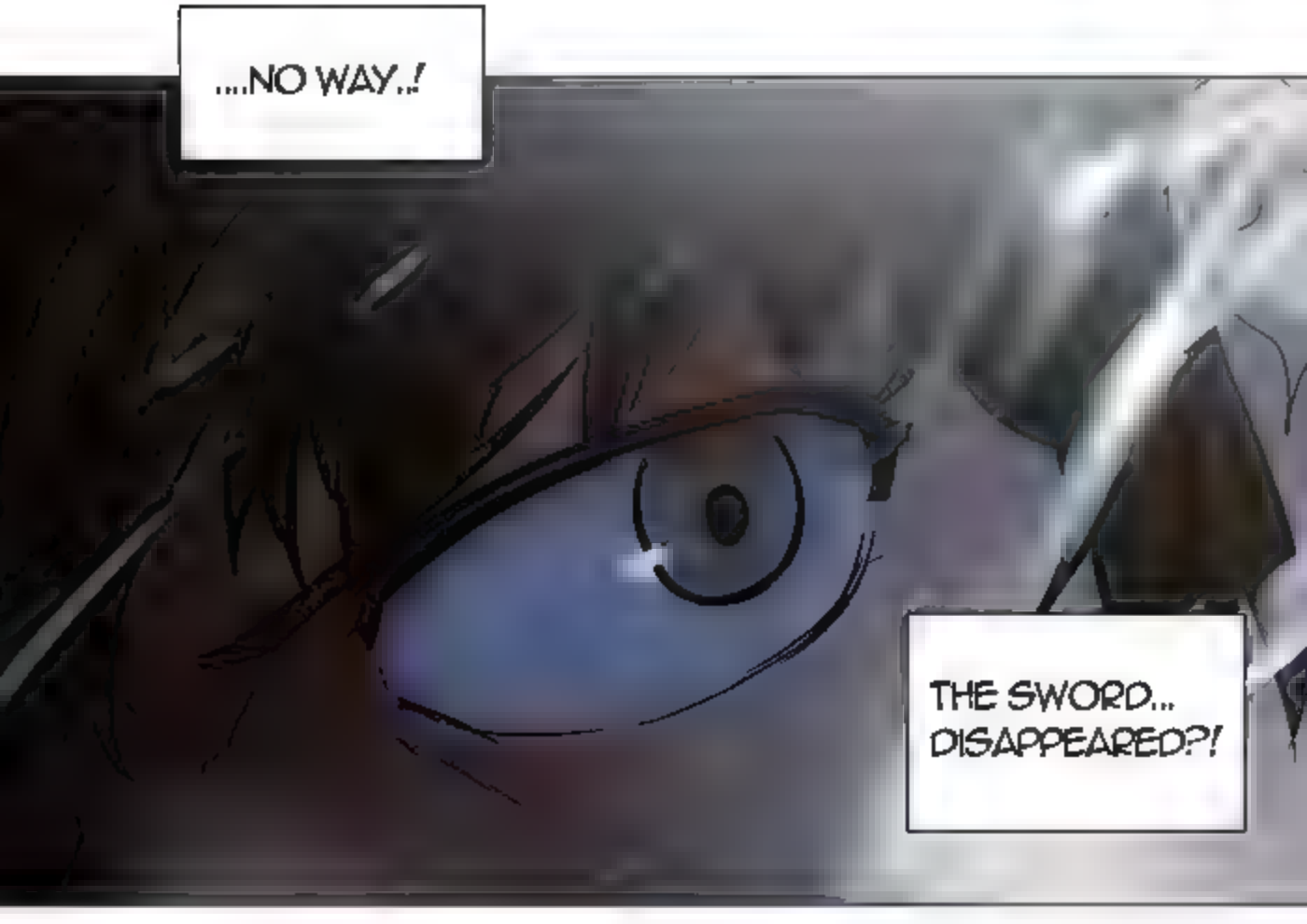
IF I DIDN'T HAVE THE POWER OF THORN... I WOULD HAVE BEEN DEAD.
HUFF
I REALLY MEANT TO KILL YOU WITH THAT ATTACK,
I GUESS THAT "THORN" IS MORE USEFUL THAN I THOUGHT.
PEW
PEW
WHEN I HEARD ABOUT THE PLAN, I THOUGHT IT DIDN'T MAKE ANY SENSE... BUT THEY REALLY MADE IT, HUH...?
I WAS VERY SURPRISED TO HEAR ABOUT IT FROM DANIEL.

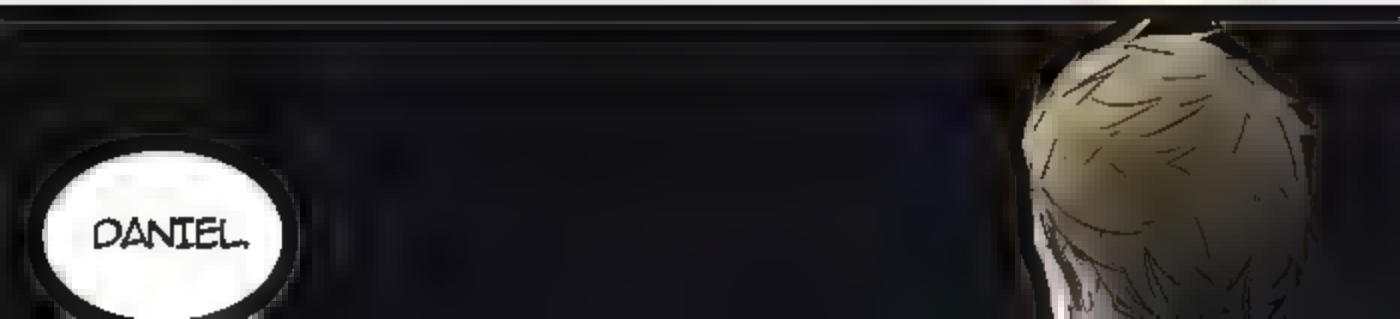
BUT IT SEEMS A LITTLE TOO HEAVY...
FOR A BOY LIKE YOU.
SHOULD I TAKE IT FOR YOU?
HUFF
HUFF
.....THIS GUY..
KNOWS ABOUT THE THORN?!

WHO ON EARTH COULD THIS GUY BE.. ?
IS FUG HIDING THIS GUY....
CLANK
CLANK
VOOSH
CLANK
FOR SOME SECRET REASON...?

SWOOSH
FROM THE RIGHT..!
IF I CAN'T DODGE..!
I'VE GOT TO BLOCK WITH SHINSU CURTAIN-!
SCREECH
FWOOSH
!?

KA
BAM
KRGH-!!


....NO WAY..!
THE SWORD... DISAPPEARED?!


DANIEL.

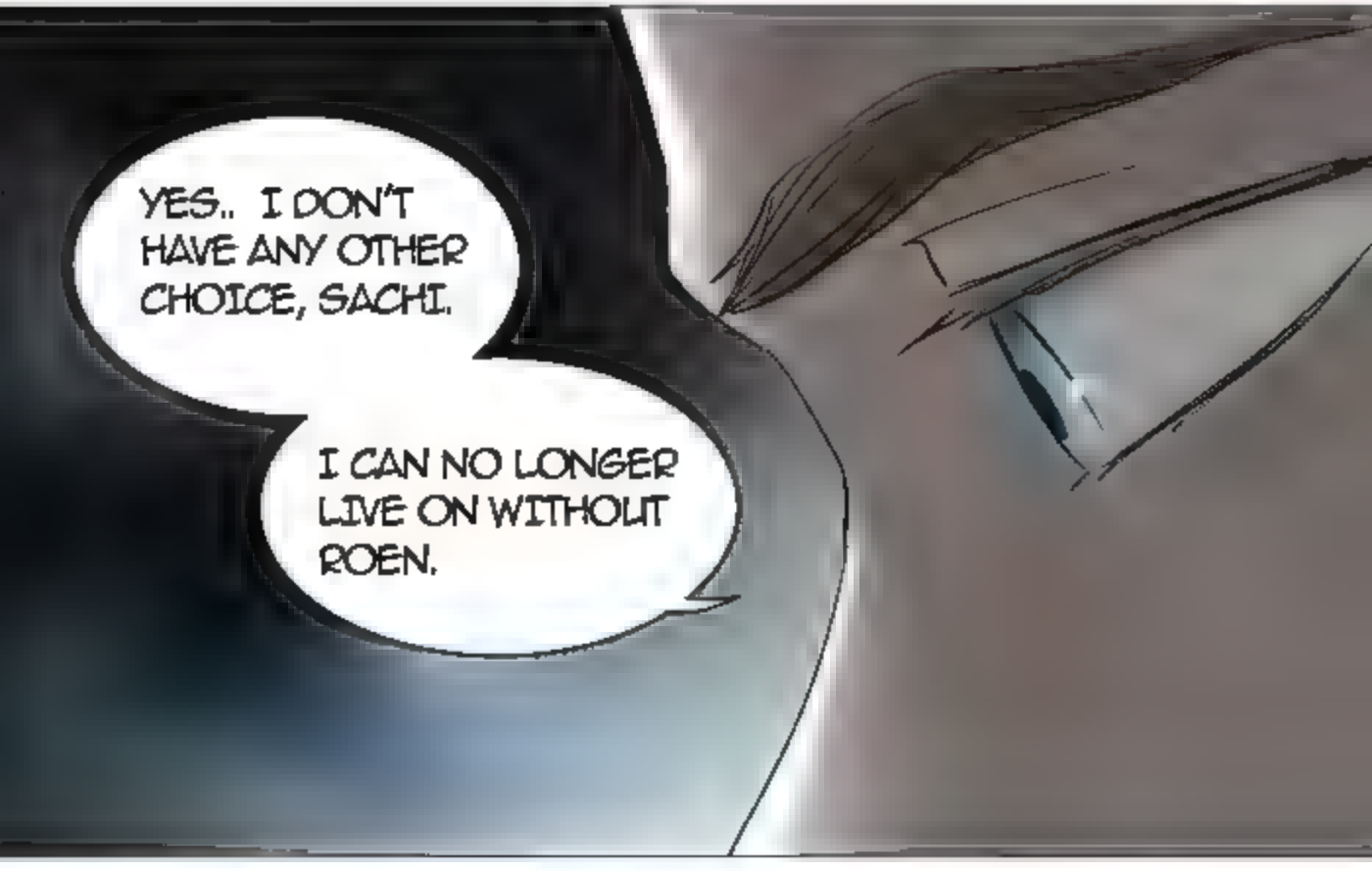
WE THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD.
BUT HERE YOU ARE, ON THE SAME SIDE AS THAT DEMON...
WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED TO YOU?

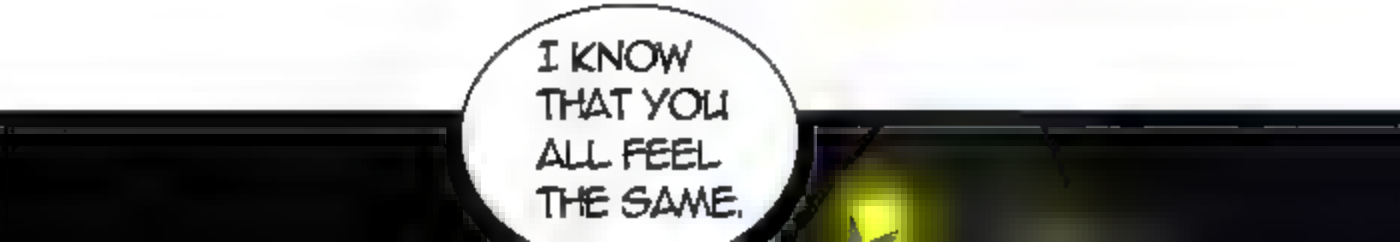
COME BACK TO YOUR SENSES..!

IT'S OKAY EVEN IF HE'S USING ME.

HOAQIN IS ONLY USING YOU FOR HIMSELF TO RESURRECT!
AS LONG AS IF I CAN BRING ROEN BACK TO LIFE.
SACHI.. YOU REMEMBER HOW ROEN WAS LIKE..
JUST BEFORE SHE DIED, RIGHT...?

SHE..
DIED PROTECTING ALL OF US.
IF ONLY I CAN TURN BACK TIME... I WILL STOP HER FROM DOING SO.
BECAUSE..
THE MOMENT SHE SACRIFICED HERSELF, SHE WAS LEFT IN MY MIND FOREVER.


YES.. I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER CHOICE, SACHI.
I CAN NO LONGER LIVE ON WITHOUT ROEN.


I KNOW THAT YOU ALL FEEL THE SAME.

WOOSH
AND THAT'S WHY YOU ROAM AROUND THIS TRAIN,
BECAUSE YOU MISS HER.

AS A TICKET HUNTER, WHO KILLS THOSE

AS A GREEDY KING OF TRAIN CITY, WHO HUNTS COMRADES
AND CHALLENGES THE TRAIN-

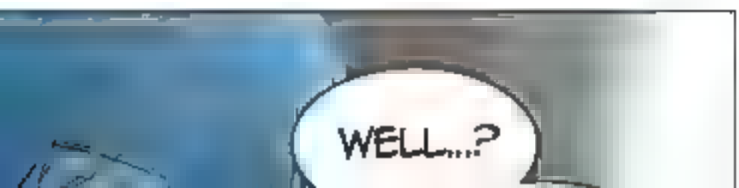
WHO APPROACH THE TRAIN.
AS A GUIDE WHO LEADS NEWCOMERS OF THE TRAIN-
THESE ARE ALL EXCUSES!!
YOU ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE THE TRAIN BECAUSE YOU FEEL GUILTY ABOUT HER DEATH, AND YOU MISS HER!!

THAT MAKES US-
GROWL

TRAIN GHOSTS WHO CANNOT LEAVE THE TRAIN..
UNTIL SHE COMES BACK TO LIFE.
SHOOM

SAAK
TAP
HA FAMILY, INDEED.
YOU ARE NOT VERY STRONG, YET STILL NOT BAD.

WHY IS A FAMOUS REGULAR LIKE YOU...
HELPING FUG?


WELL...?

PERHAPS.. I WANT TO BECOME A REAL STAR?
..WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN A FAKE FOR ALL THOSE YEARS.
I WAS SATISFIED BY THE LOOKS IN OTHER'S EYES WATCHING ME SING AND DANCE THE WAY THEY WANTED ME TO.
BUT, LOOK AT HIM.
HE DOESN'T GET SWAYED BY ANYTHING ELSE, AND REIGNS OVER EVERYTHING.
LOOK HOW CONFIDENT HE LOOKS... ISN'T HE SO BEAUTIFUL?
...HE JUST LOOKS LIKE A MAD MAN TO ME.
RACHEL PROMISED ME...

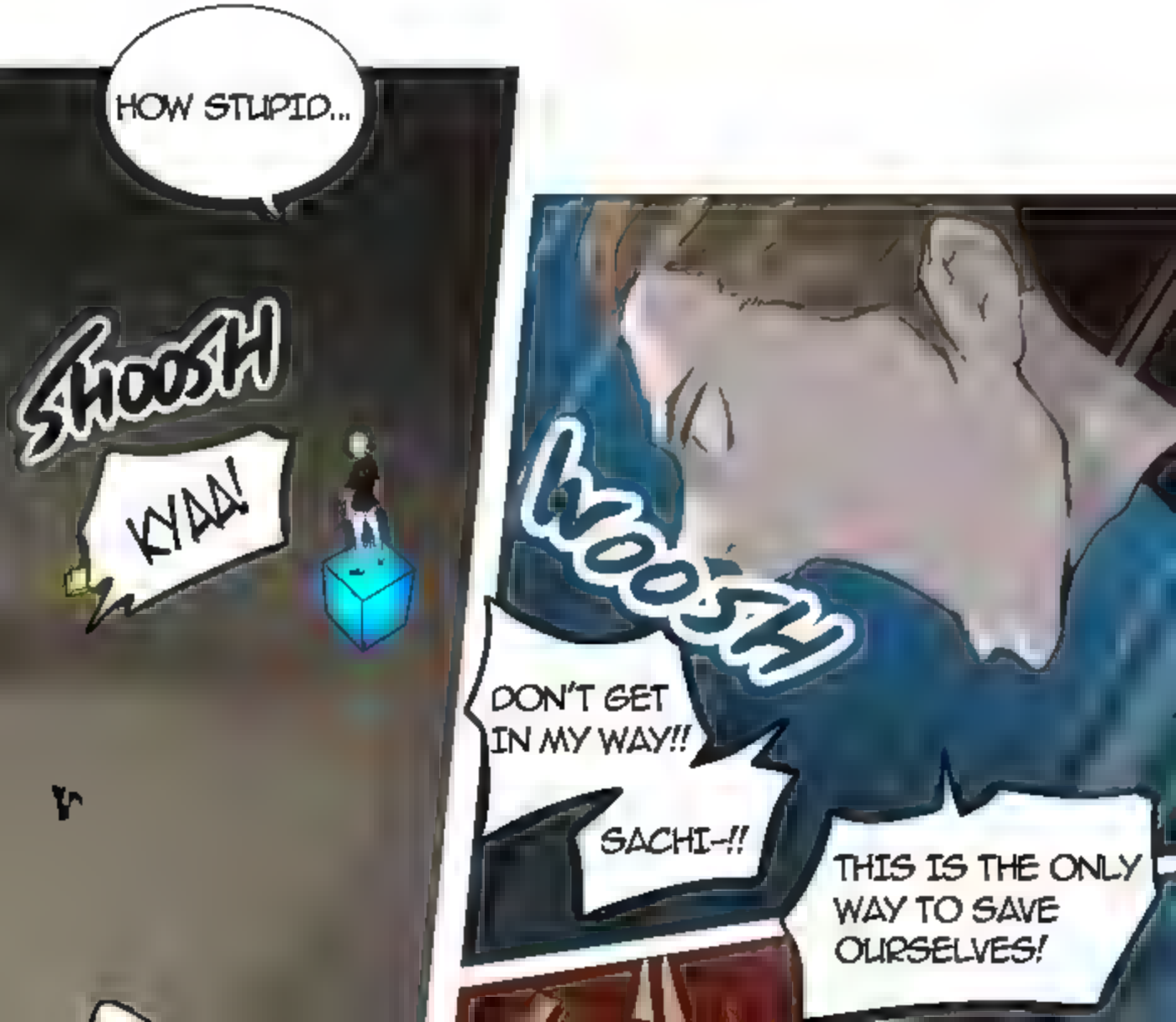
THAT IF I GET UP THE TOWER WITH HER... SHE'LL LET ME SEE THE REAL STARS.
I DON'T WANT TO LIVE A LIFE, WHERE I AM SWAYED BY A BUNCH OF STUPID MORONS ANYMORE.
SOON... AT MY LAST CONCERT... I'M GOING TO SWEEP ALL... THOSE IDIOTS AWAY.
SO THAT... I CAN BECOME A REAL STAR.

Pll zzT
....I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.

BUT
PZZT
PZZT
SINCE YOU'RE GETTING IN THE WAY, I WANT YOU TO RETIRE THIS INSTANCE.
IT'S NO USE.
SPARKLE
SHINSU CONTROL DOESN'T WORK ON ME...!
SPARKLE
I KNOW THAT IT DOESN'T, BUT-
VOOSH

IT WILL WORK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE.
BTOOM
YOU'RE RIDING ON!
!!

OOPS!
DOWN YOU GO!
KYAH!

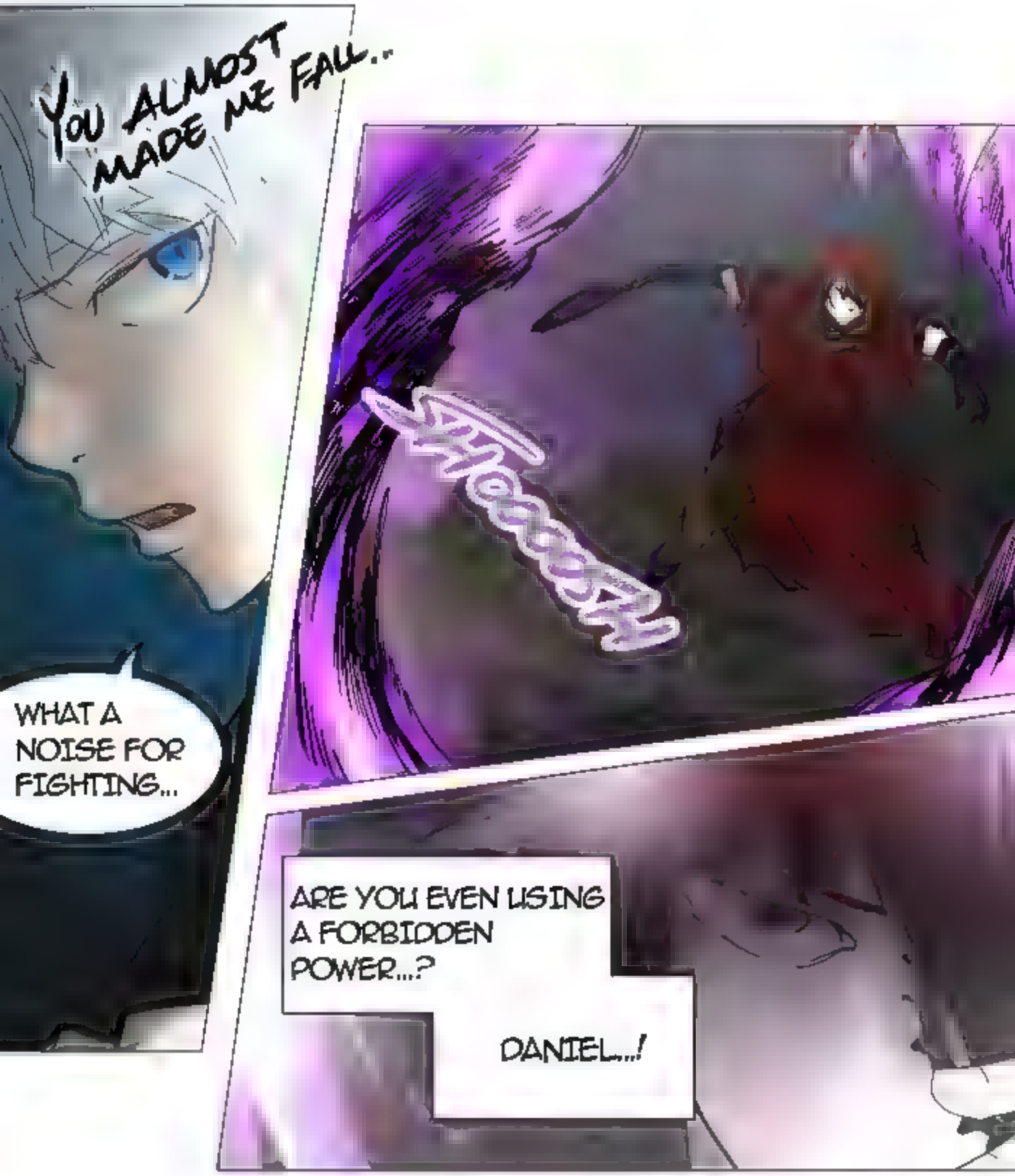

HOW STUPID...
SHOOSH
KYAA!
WOOSH
DON'T GET IN MY WAY!!
SACHI-!!
THIS IS THE ONLY WAY TO SAVE OURSELVES!

MISS YURA-!!

SWORDSMAN! YOU'LL DIE IF YOU JUMP!

DANIEL...!

BOOM
ARGH!

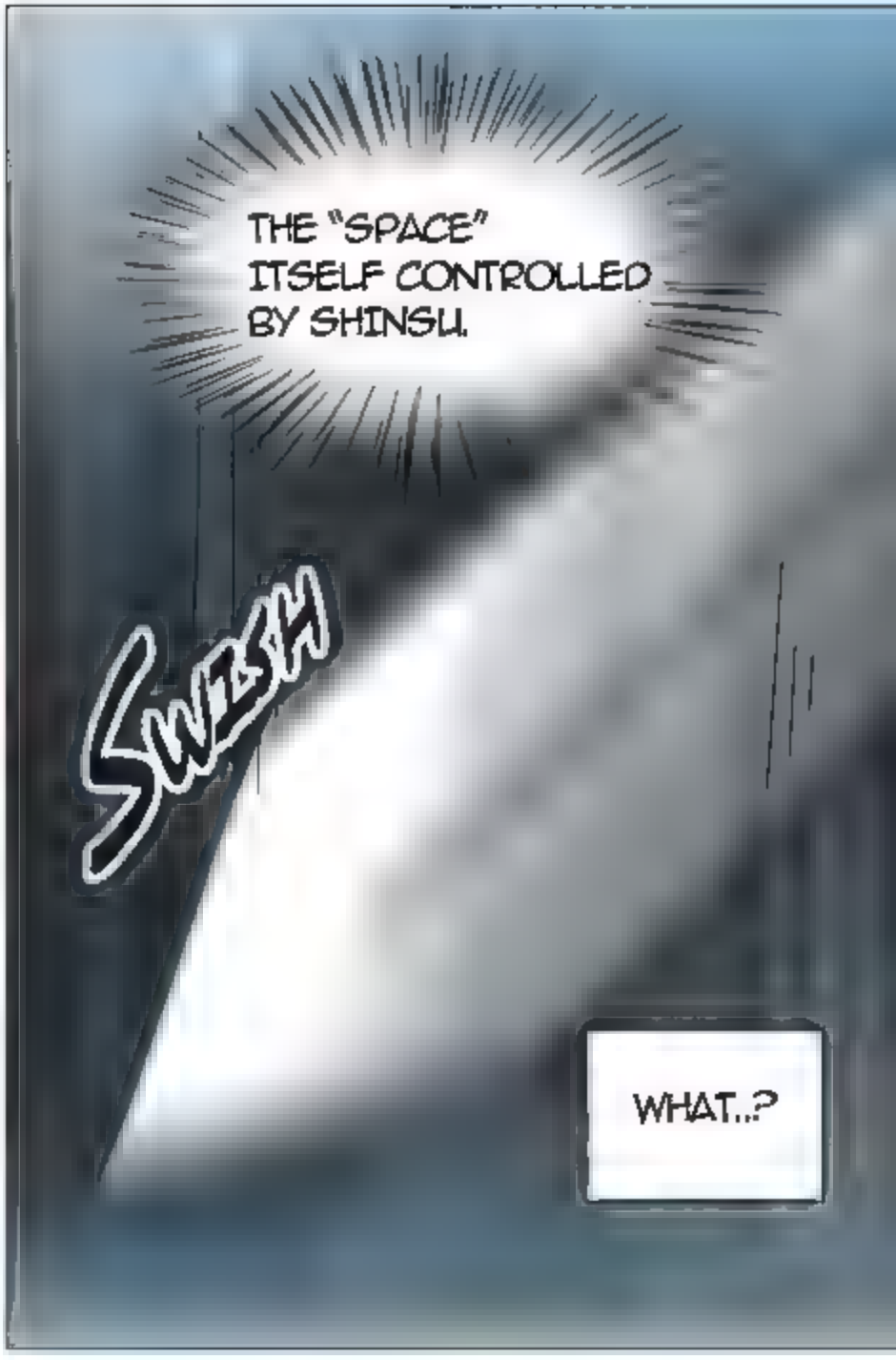

YOU ALMOST MADE ME FALL..
WHAT A NOISE FOR FIGHTING...
AAAAAAAH
ARE YOU EVEN USING A FORBIDDEN POWER...?
DANIEL...!

HSOOM

KRSH
BAM!
...HMM-
SO, IS THIS ALL YOU'VE GOT?
HUFF-
HUFF-
HUFF-
.. YOUR SPONTANEOUS POWER WAS QUITE INTERESTING, BUT
IT'S NOT AS GOOD AS I EXPECTED.
STEP-
YOU DON'T EVEN SEEM TO BE ABLE TO CONTROL THE POWER OF YOUR THORN...
SO, TELL ME. WHAT DO YOU HAVE IN YOU THAT MAKES YOU QUALIFIED TO BE A SLAYER NOMINEE?
HUFF-
HUFF-

.....
IT'S STRANGE..
I CAN'T READ THE WAY THE SWORD MOVES AT ALL.
THERE SHOULD DEFINITELY BE A LIMIT TO THE MOVEMENT OF A SWORD.
BUT, IT MOVES AS IF IT DOESN'T HAVE SHAPE.. AT SOME POINT, IT FEELS LIKE IT'S ON THE RIGHT, BUT THEN IT'S ON THE LEFT.
AND IT APPROACHES FROM THE BOTTOM, BUT THEN IT APPEARS FROM ABOVE...
IT FLIES TOWARDS ME LIKE A GHOST.

GIVE IT UP. HIS SWORD DOESN'T HAVE ANY BLIND SPOTS.
?
HIS SWORD IS NOT A "SWORD". IT'S-


THE "SPACE" ITSELF CONTROLLED BY SHINSU.
SWISH
WHAT..?

POINT
NOW, SHALL WE PUT AN END TO THIS?
JUE VIOLE GRACE?

I WONDER HOW THE GUYS WHO APPOINTED YOU AS A SLAYER NOMINEE WOULD REACT..
THE SPACE... ITSELF?
HUFF-
HUFF-
WHEN THEY FIND OUT THAT YOU WERE DEFEATED BY ME.
IS THAT... EVEN POSSIBLE?
WELL.. THOSE IDIOTS WILL SOON FIND OUT
THAT I AM THE ONE WHO SUITS A SLAYER.
.....
AH, AND I WILL KILL YOUR COMRADES THAT WE CAPTURED...

RIGHT AFTER YOU.
....!
HUFF-
SO, DON'T WORRY, FOR YOU WILL HAVE COMPANY WITH YOU SOON ENOUGH.
COMRADES?
THIS IS THE END!! JUE VIOLE GRACE!!
DASH-
BAM!!

IS HE GOING TO KILL MISS EWHA AND WANGNAN AS WELL...?!
PFFT
!!
VOOSH
BLUE TURTLE!!

BEHIND YOU!!

I PUT EVERYONE IN DANGER...

SHOOOOAH
I CAN'T FALL ALONE-!!

THAT'S ENOUGH...
WHERE
FOR THE GREETING.

STOP MESSING AROUND, "BOTH OF YOU-"

!!

?

?!

?!

Pft

!!

WOOSH~

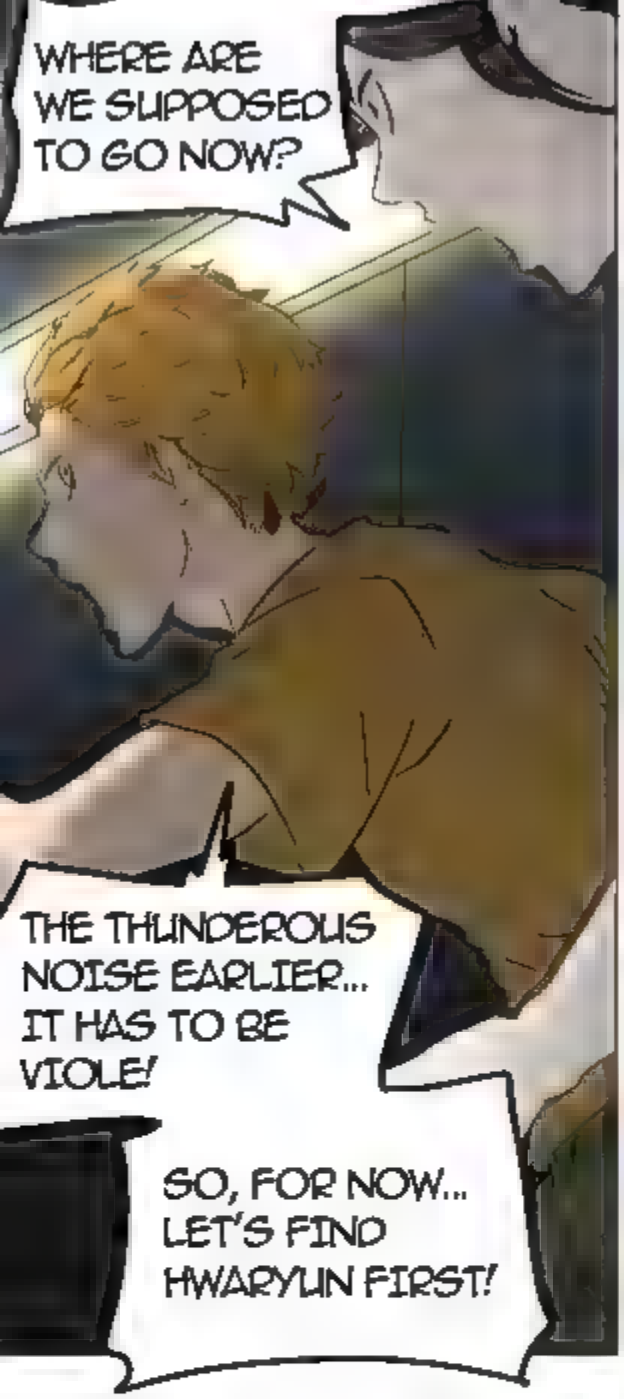
INSIDE THE HELL TRAIN

CONDUCTOR'S OFFICE

NICE TO SEE YOU, KIDS.

WELCOME TO "THE HELL TRAIN".

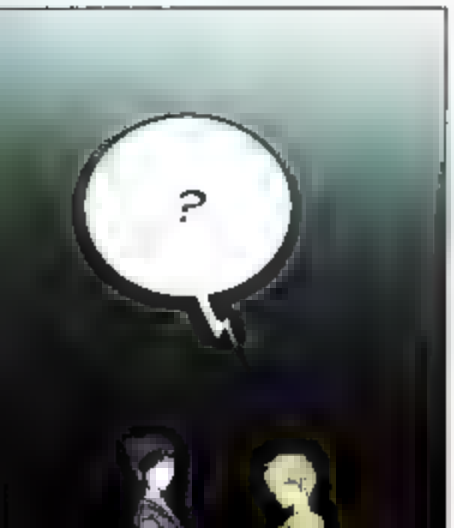
WE GOT OUT THANKS TO THE HEAVENLY MIRROR, BUT...


WHERE ARE WE SUPPOSED TO GO NOW?
THE THUNDEROUS NOISE EARLIER... IT HAS TO BE VIOLE!
SO, FOR NOW... LET'S FIND HWARYUN FIRST!

BEATING THAT MONSTER, HOAQIN...
WE NEED ALL THE HELP WE CAN GET!

EVERYONE WILL HAVE TO COOPERATE..!

HEY-
YOU TWO, RUNNING WILD AHEAD ME.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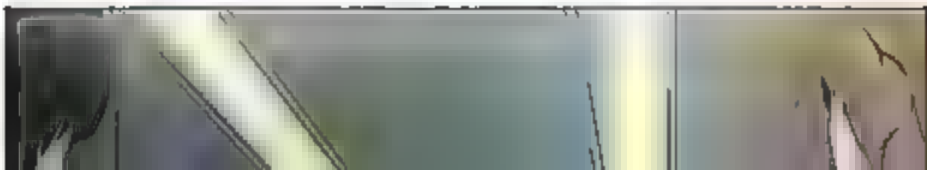
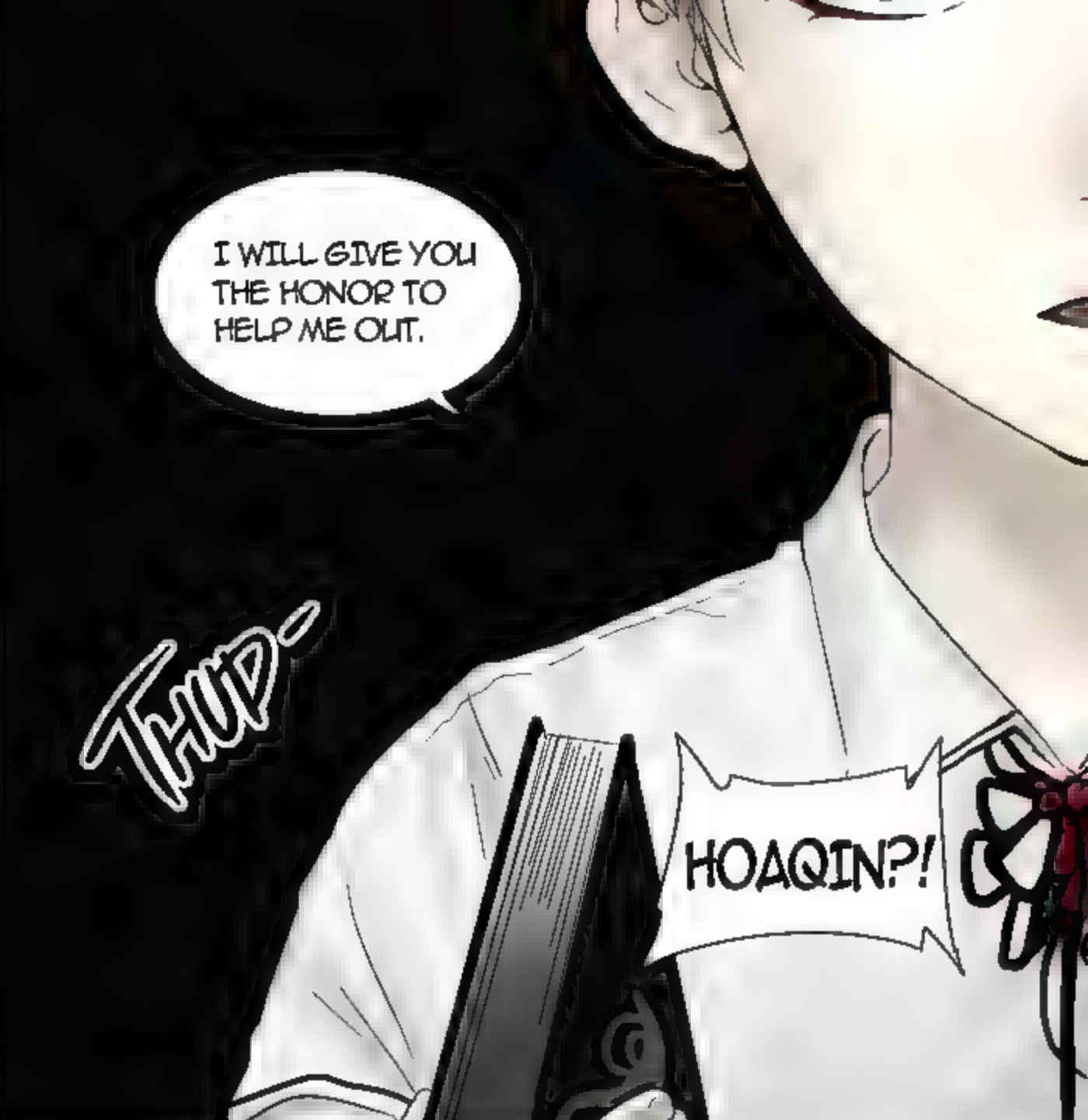


...WHO'S THERE?
I'M LOST BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN SO LONG SINCE I HAVE BEEN OUTSIDE...
STUMP
STUMP
COULD YOU LEAD THE WAY FOR ME?

HO...



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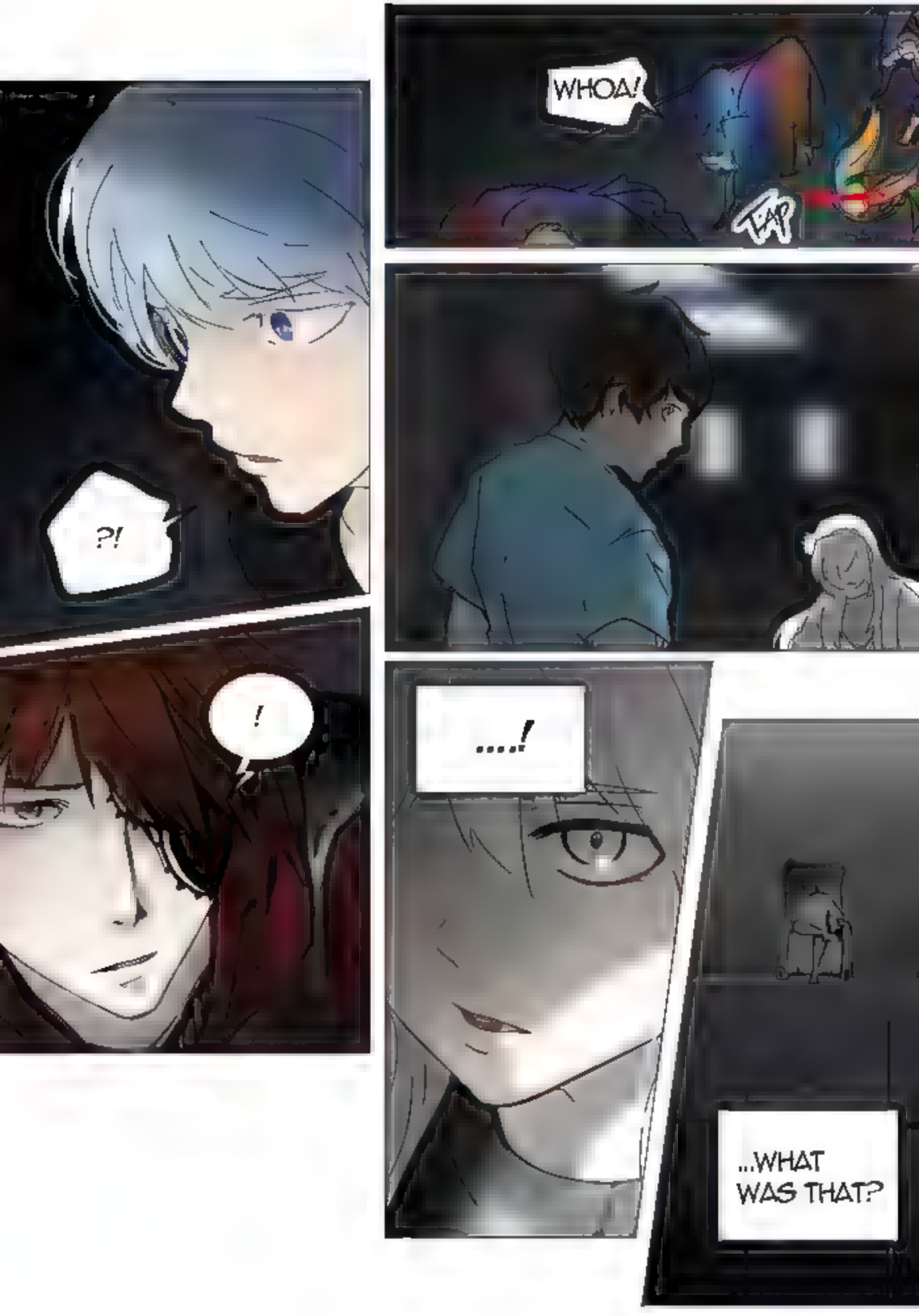
HO...
HOAQIN?!

...HOAQIN?
..YOU GUYS.. KNOW ABOUT ANOTHER ME?
A...ANOTHER YOU?
GOOD.
I WAS ALSO LOOKING FOR HIM.

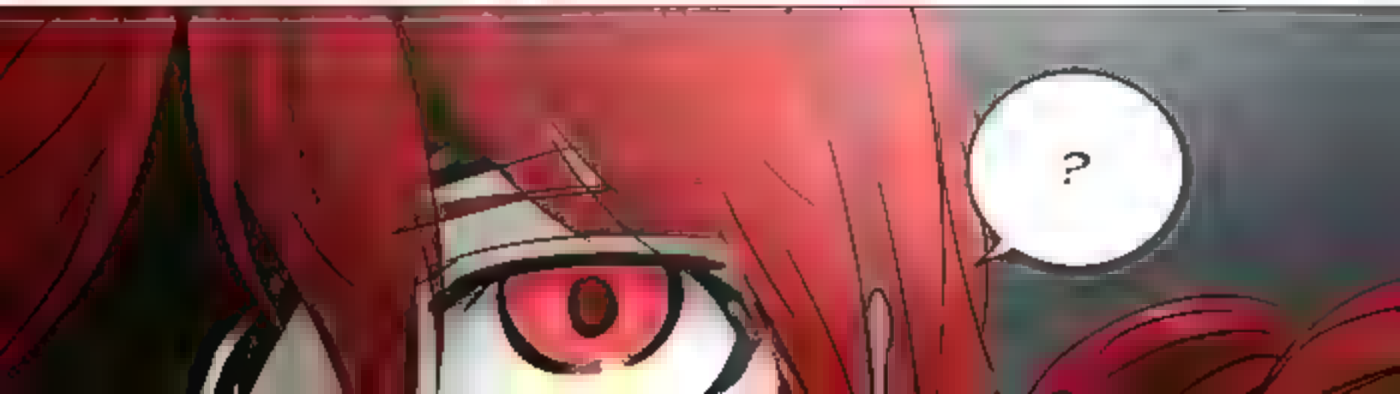
YOU MUST BE HIS HENCHMEN.
CAN YOU LEAD ME TO HIM?
UH... WHAT?!
THAT'S..!

LEAD THE WAY TO WHERE ANOTHER ME IS.
HE'S PROBABLY ALSO LOOKING FOR ME ANYWAY.
GRIN-

Tower of God


WHOA!
TAP
?!
!
....!
...WHAT WAS THAT?

TAP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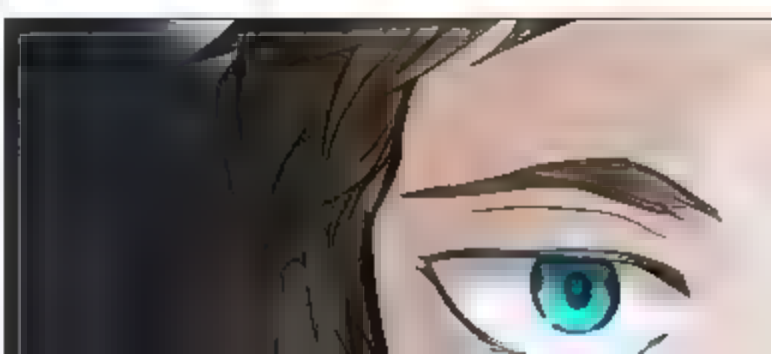
VIOLE...?
NICE TO SEE YOU, KIDS.
WELCOME TO THE HELL TRAIN.

YOU'VE BEEN MAKING QUITE A FUSS OUTSIDE.
...!
YOU MAY BE

HE KNOWS THAT BAM USED TO BE A SLAYER NOMINEE?
THAT GUY MUST BE...



SLAYER NOMINEES, BUT IT WAS STILL JUST TOO MUCH. DON'T YOU AGREE?
YOU ARE...?
AH, SORRY FOR LATE INTRODUCTION.
I'M THE CONDUCTOR OF THIS HELL TRAIN, "PEDRO".

CONDUCTOR OF THE HELL TRAIN

RANKER 'PEDRO'

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, I'M ALSO A LOYAL FOLLOWER OF SIR KARAKA,

THE GREAT SLAYER OF FLIG.

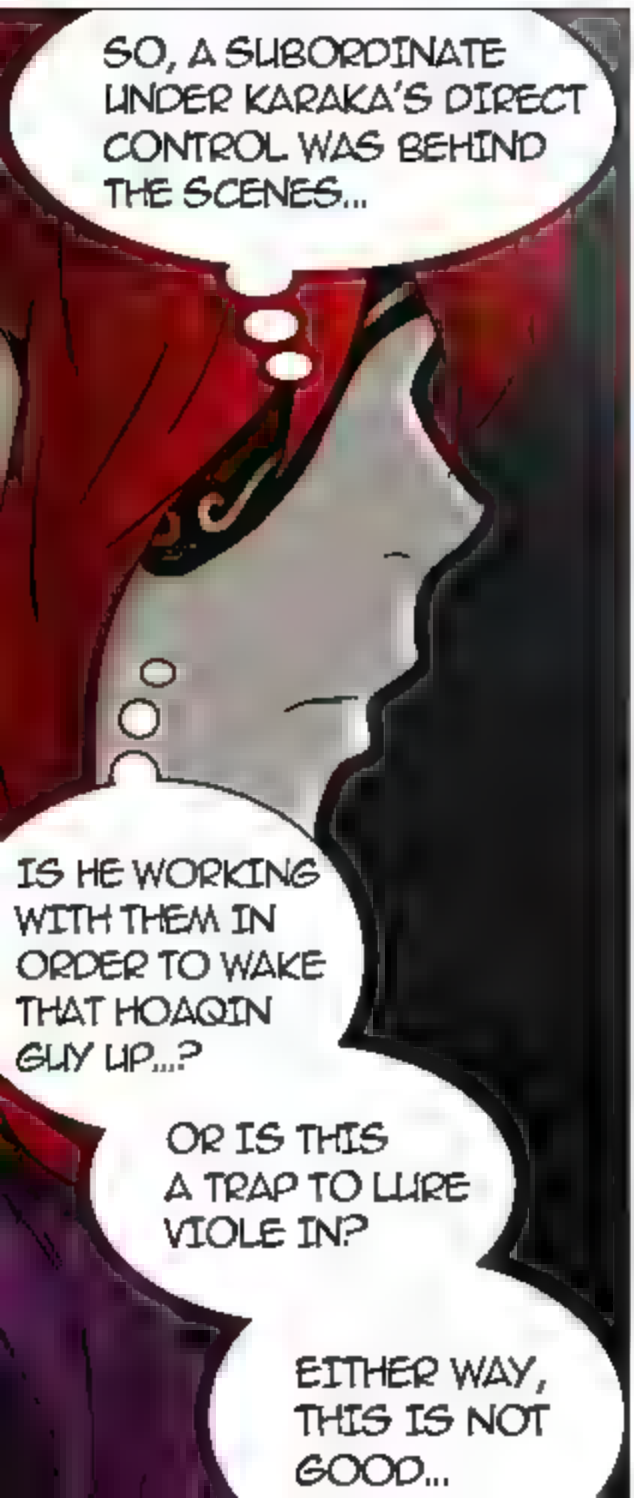
!!

.....!!
FUG SLAYER'S... UNDERLING!?

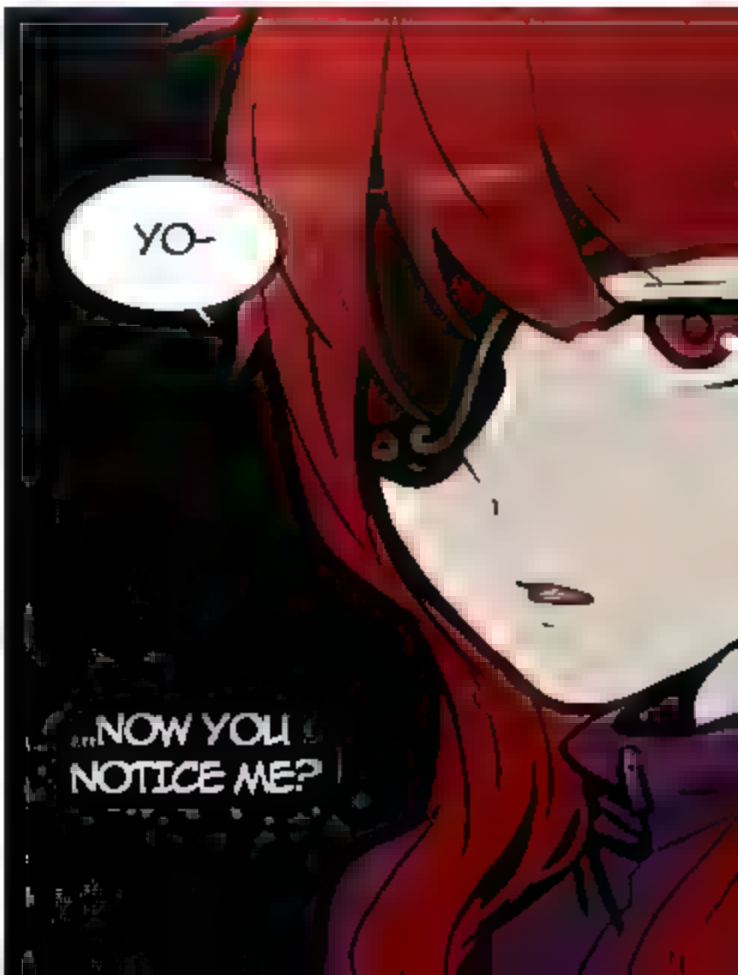
I KNEW IT... SO, THE CONDUCTOR OF THIS TRAIN WAS FLIG.
FLIG'S... RANKER..!
WAIT... ISN'T KARAKA THE ONE WHO TRIED TO HURT BAM BACK AT THE WORKSHOP BATTLE...?

....PEDRO..

IS HE "PEDRO THE DEATH EYE"...?


SO, A SUBORDINATE UNDER KARAKA'S DIRECT CONTROL WAS BEHIND THE SCENES...
IS HE WORKING WITH THEM IN ORDER TO WAKE THAT HOAQIN GUY UP...?
OR IS THIS A TRAP TO LURE VIOLE IN?
EITHER WAY, THIS IS NOT GOOD...

!
MISS. HWARYUN?


YO-
...NOW YOU NOTICE ME?

....HOAQIN, I SEE..
I'VE HEARD OF YOU... BUT IT'S MY FIRST TIME SEEING YOU IN PERSON.

YOU'RE SMALLER THAN I THOUGHT.
DON'T SAY THAT I'M SMALL!
I WILL GROW SOON!!
AND HOW OLD ARE YOU?!!

ANYWAYS, I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME BOTH OF YOU TO THE HELL TRAIN.
SEEING TWO GUYS WHO ARE QUALIFIED TO BECOME THE SLAYER... THIS IS VERY UNUSUAL.
WELL... ALTHOUGH ONE OF YOU WILL DROP OUT SOON.
...DROP OUT?
BECAUSE ONLY ONE OF YOU CAN BECOME A SLAYER NOMINEE.

THEN, SINCE THE SITUATION HAS BECOME LIKE THIS...
SHALL WE BEGIN THE GAME?
RUMBLE

WHAT.... GAME?

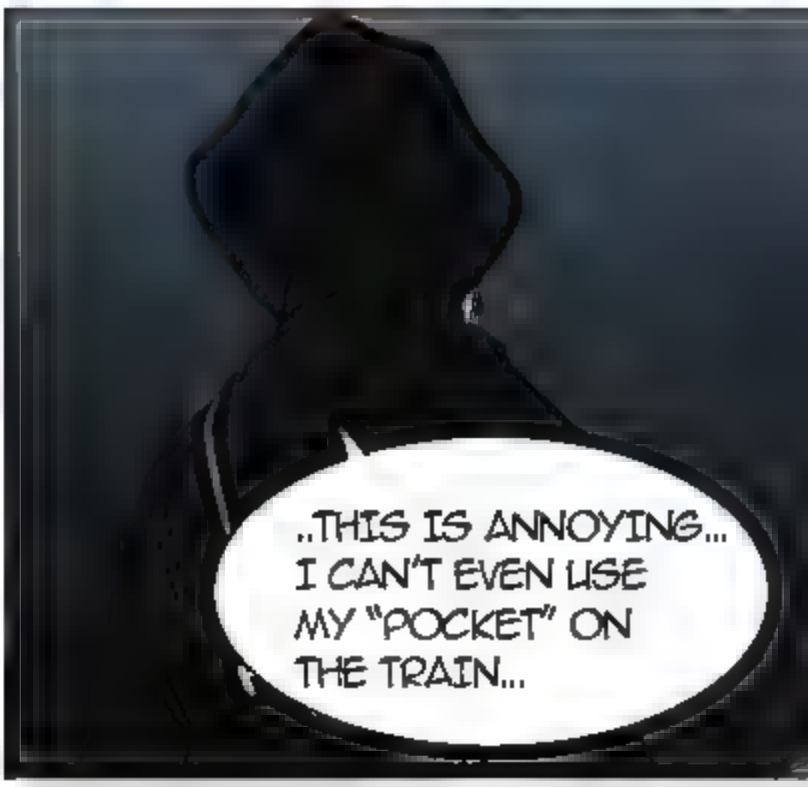
A GAME THAT WILL PICK ONLY ONE OF YOU...

TO BECOME THE ONE AND ONLY SLAYER NOMINEE..!
?!
WHAT?!
PICK ONLY ONE SLAYER NOMINEE?!

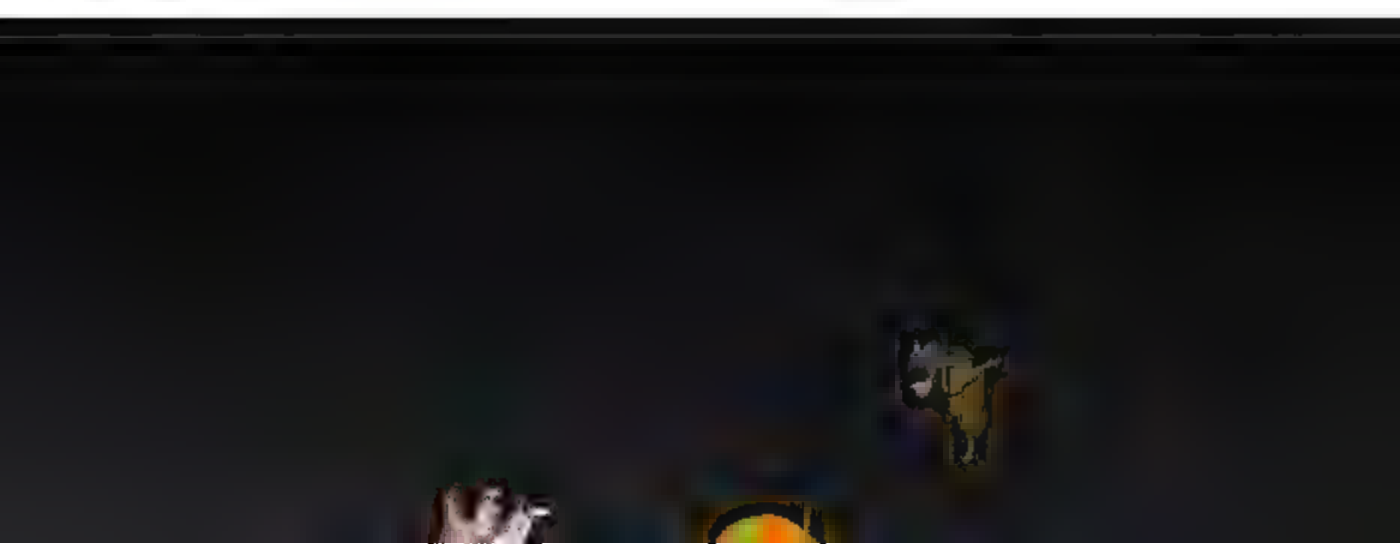
MEANWHILE
SOMEWHERE IN THE TRAIN PASSAGE-
PFFT
PFFT
!!
LAND-

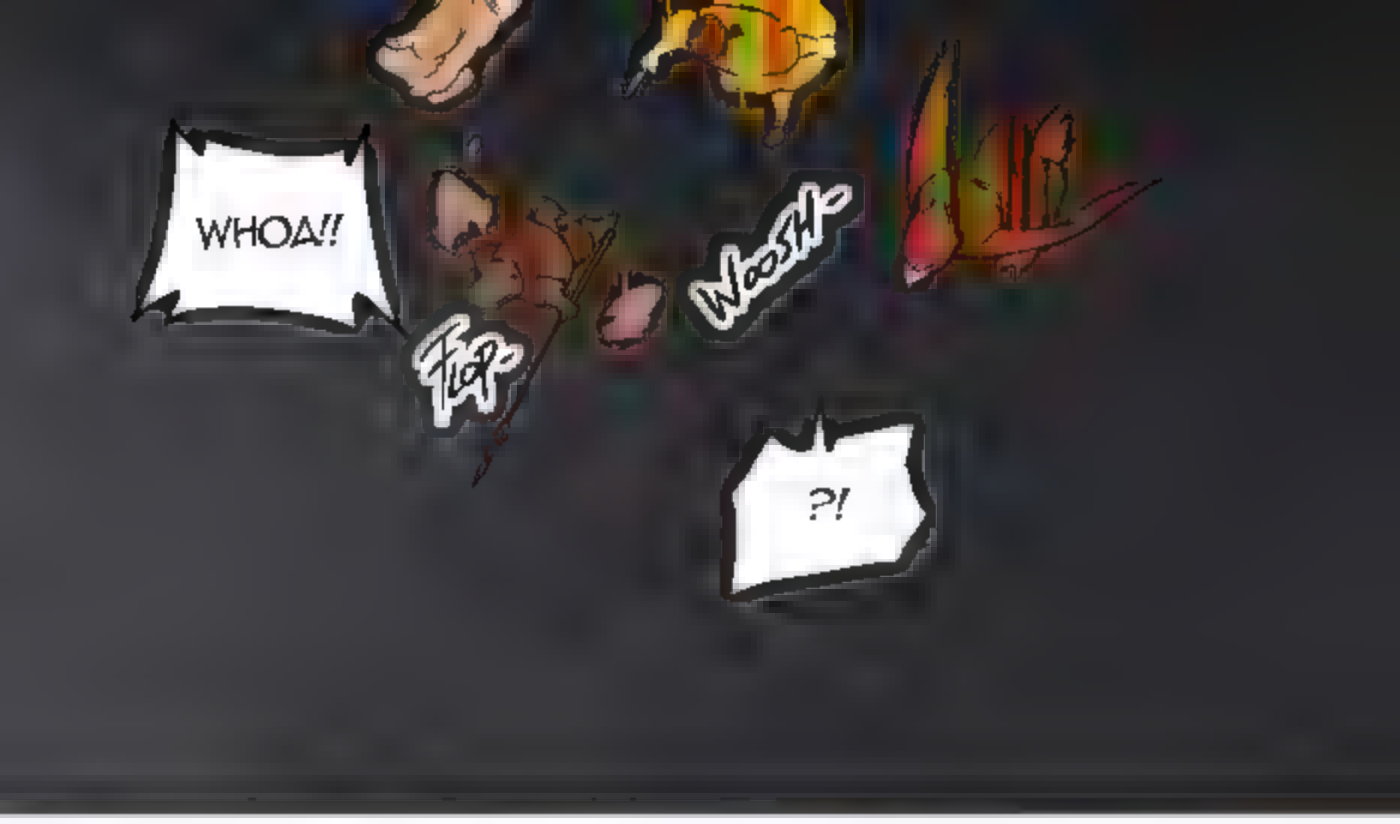
WHAT WAS THAT..?
TELEPORT...?
.....

WHERE ARE WE?
I'M SURE WE WERE ON OUR WAY OUT...
WHAT JUST HAPPENED?!


..THIS IS ANNOYING... I CAN'T EVEN USE MY "POCKET" ON THE TRAIN...

OH, WELL..
LET'S JUST
GET GOING.
WE'LL
EVENTUALLY MEET
WITH THE OTHERS.
ALRIGHT.




WHOA!!
FLOP~
WOOSH~
?!

DAMN.....
OUCH~
WHAT THE HELL JUST HAPPENED...?

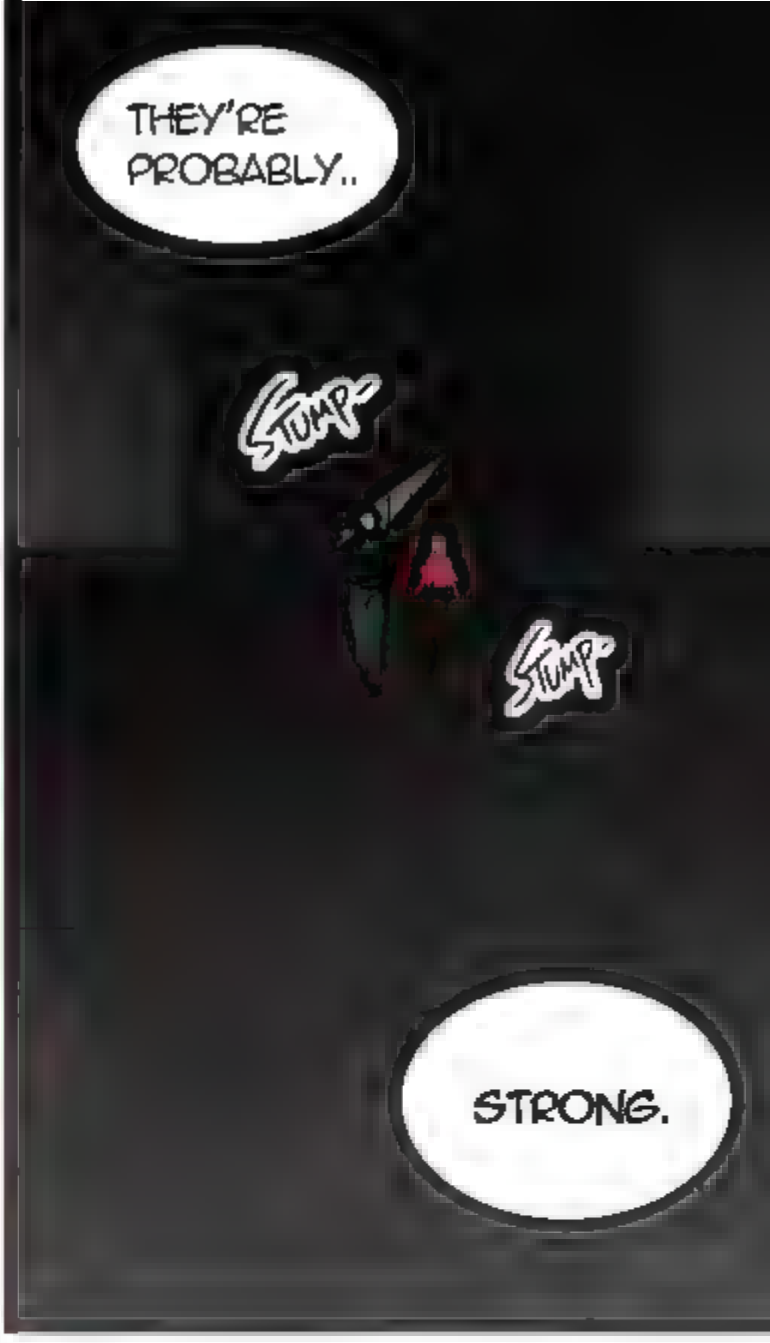
I THINK WE'RE ON THE TRAIN.
HEY, CROCODILE. WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED?
DOES THIS ALSO HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH YOU GUYS?
?

WHY ASK ME? I DON'T KNOW EITHER, YOU FATSO TURTLE!!
...! BULL- SH*T!
THIS HAPPENED RIGHT AFTER YOU GUYS SHOWED UP!!
YOU WERE SUSPICIOUS BACK IN TRAIN CITY, AND NOW IS NO DIFFERENT! WHO THE HELL ARE YOU GUYS?!
...WHAT A FAT AND NOISY TURTLE.

HOLD ON.
?
SOMEONE?!!
SOMEONE'S HEADED THIS WAY, FATSO TURTLE.

..SOMEONE'S COMING? WHERE?

..RIGHT IN FRONT OF US... THERE ARE TWO.

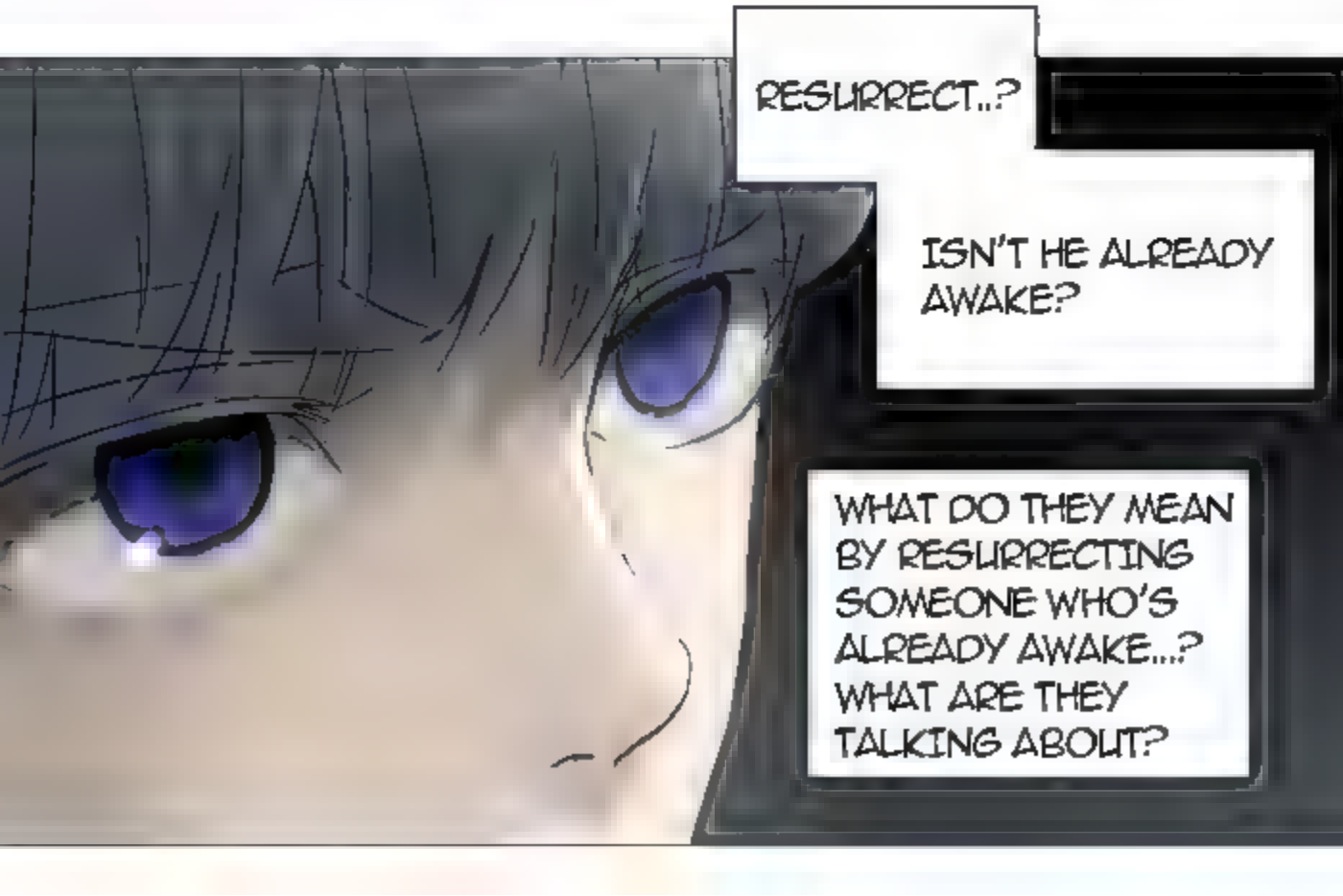

THEY'RE PROBABLY..
STUMP
STUMP
STRONG.

YOU'RE GONNA SELECT ONE OF US TO BE A SLAYER NOMINEE?!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ALL OF A SUDDEN?!
THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU PROMISED!
YOU SURELY SAID THAT YOUR PURPOSE WAS TO RESURRECT ME, AND THAT'S WHY THIS HELL TRAIN IS...!

AND I'M JUST USING MY POWER AS A CONDUCTOR TO OPERATE THE TRAIN

PROMISE...?
WELL..
WE NEVER MADE A SUCH PROMISE.
I'M JUST A FAN OF AN IDOL SINGER, YURA HA...
IN ORDER TO HELP HER PERFORM HER FINAL CONCERT.
.....!
THIS IS ALL JUST A CRAZY ACT OF ONE RANKER. THAT IS ALL.
THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL PLAN OF ANYTHING LIKE RESURRECTING YOU OR WHATSOEVER.
SO, WHATEVER HAPPENS IN HERE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME.

.....!
WHAT THE..?!
DON'T YOU HAVE RESPECT FOR A SENIOR...?


RESURRECT..?
ISN'T HE ALREADY AWAKE?
WHAT DO THEY MEAN BY RESURRECTING SOMEONE WHO'S ALREADY AWAKE...? WHAT ARE THEY TALKING ABOUT?

HOAQIN, WE DID RULE OVER THE TRAIN AND TOOK OFF IN ORDER TO HELP YOU RESURRECT.
HOWEVER, NOT EVERY FUG MEMBER IS IN FAVOR OF YOUR RESURRECTION.
ELDERS AND SLAYERS ON THE OTHER SIDE ARE ALREADY GIVING US PRESSURE. GET IT?
SO, EVEN IF WE WOULD LIKE TO HELP YOU OUT,
NOW IS THE TIME WHERE WE NEED A FAIR PROCESS UNDER THE NAME OF "GAME".

IN OTHER WORDS, FOR US, HELPING YOU IS ONE OF TWO OPTIONS.
ALONG WITH, SEEING YOU IN A "SPLIT CONDITION",
.....
IT COULD EVEN BE MORE BENEFICIAL FOR US TO HAVE THE NOMINEE WHO HAS THE THORN.
WHAT..? HOAQIN IS... SPLIT RIGHT NOW...?

...SORRY TO INTERRUPT, BUT...
I RESIGNED AS THE NOMINEE, AND I DO NOT INTEND TO GO BACK TO FLIG.
SO... THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS GAME.
....I KNEW YOU'D SAY THAT.. BUT AS LONG AS YOU ARE IN POSSESSION OF THE THORN...
YOU HOLD ALL OF FLIG'S HOPE UPON YOUR BACK.
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO BE A SLAYER NOMINEE... YOU CAN JUST GO BACK INTO A FURNACE AND BE MELTED DOWN WITH THE THORN, BUT I DON'T THINK YOU'D WANT THAT, WOULD YOU?

AND KEEPING IN MIND THAT YOU'D BE LIKE THAT,
WE'VE CAPTURED SOME GUYS WHO WERE WANDERING AROUND THE TRAIN.
!?
WOOSH

WHAT?!
I WAS IN THE FLOATING SHIP JUST A SECOND AGO...!
CLANK
?!?!?! BAM... AND THE GUYS?!

HEY!! BAM!! KHUN!!
!!

THIS VOICE IS..!
MR. PRINCE!!
MR. ARKRAPTOR!!
DAMN IT...
QUOETRO AND MR. CHANG... YOU'RE ALL...!
THIS WON'T BREAK EASILY..

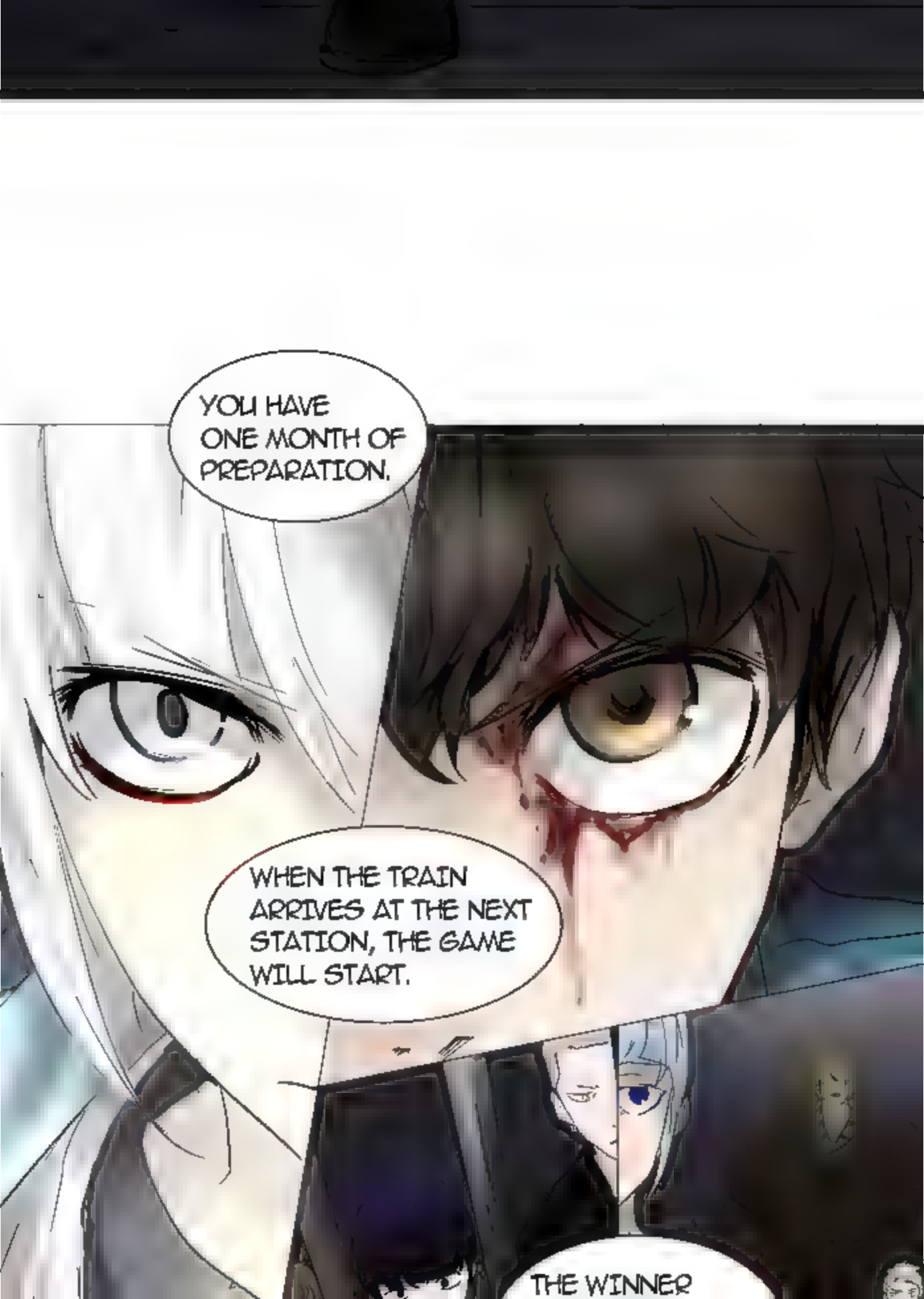
IF YOU GIVE UP OR LOSE IN THIS GAME, THEY WILL ALL DIE.
ARE YOU NOW INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING?

.....!

WIN THIS GAME FOR NOW.

THEN, YOU WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE.

WELL, NOW-
SHALL WE START...
THE UNPRECEDENTED... SLAYER NOMINEE SELECTION GAME?


YOU HAVE ONE MONTH OF PREPARATION.
WHEN THE TRAIN ARRIVES AT THE NEXT STATION, THE GAME WILL START.
THE WINNER

THE LOSERS WILL ALL DIE.

W...WHAT DO WE DO?
I TOLD HIM THAT WE'D TAKE HIM TO HOAQIN WITHOUT THINKING...

DOES HE.. REALLY THINK THAT WE'RE HOAQIN'S HENCHMEN?
I...I GUESS SO?
ANOTHER HOAQIN... I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE MEANS... BUT HE WOULDN'T BE ON OUR SIDE, RIGHT?
ANYWAY... FOR SOME REASON, I DON'T FEEL GOOD ABOUT THIS.

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